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Boy Scouts Feud with Major Contributors Over Gays

by Dave Eckert
MGW ASSOC EDITOR

In a confrontation that promises to have far-reaching implications no matter how it is resolved, major Bay Area corporate and charitable contributors to the Boy Scouts of America have "de-funded" or canceled present and future contributions to Boy Scout groups in a five county area in response to the local Scouting groups' refusal to repudiate the national Boy Scouts policy excluding gay scoutmasters and members.

This spring the executive board of the United Way of the Bay Area (UWBA) voted unanimously to drop nearly $1 million in funding for the Boy Scouts after a 45 day ultimatum to reject the national policy had expired. UWBA also cited as a reason the conflict with their own anti-discrimination policy which includes discrimination based on sexual orientation. UWBA is one of only a handful of United Ways around the country that have anti-bias policies that forbid member agencies from discriminating on the basis of sexual orientation.

"Boy Scout programs provide a laboratory for leadership," said Dave Wharton, a gay attorney on the UWBA's board. "The door to that laboratory should be open to everyone."

The UWBA action has caused varied reactions on the West Coast. In Portland, Oregon, the local United Way has begun to reexamine their own anti-bias policies, and legislation has been proposed to bar sexual orientation discrimination in the city of Portland. The suburban city of San Leandro on the eastern side of San Francisco Bay, on the other hand, has voted to stop soliciting donations for UWBA to protest the charity's decision concerning the Boy Scouts.

But the biggest reaction came from three large West Coast backers of the Boy Scouts, corporations which contribute significantly to the Boy Scouts' operating budget. Levi Strauss & Co., a San Francisco-based clothing firm; and California-based Bank of America and Wells Fargo Bank have followed the lead of UWBA and cut off or altered funding to the Boy Scouts, citing anti-discrimination policies written into their charters. Bank of America has, in the past, given up to $20,000 a year to the Boy Scouts, and Wells Fargo plans to honor their current pledge of $25,000 for 1993 and 1994, but will make no new pledges until the Scout's anti-discriminatory policies change.

"Their policy basically conflicts with our longstanding non-discrimination policy both at the corporate contributions level and as an employer," Wells Fargo spokeswoman Kim Kellogg told the *San Francisco Examiner*.

Reacting to these funding cuts, local Boy Scout officials have gone on the offensive by asking their supporters to let the companies know they support the Scouts, and by asking people to contribute directly to the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) instead of the UWBA, falling just short of an outright call for a boycott of the businesses..

"The silent majority of this country have been becoming less silent," said Buford Hill, the Western regional director of the BSA. "We want them to be aware of the [funding cuts] and we want them to voice their opinions directly with those organizations, by letter, by phone call, or by a personal visit."

Hill also charged that UWBA is behind the decision by the companies to discontinue their funding.

"We think that the United Way of the San Francisco Bay Area has been pressured by the homosexual community, which in turn is pressuring these organizations," Hill said. "We do not believe that this is a decision that reflects the thinking of a majority of the people who use their facilities or are their stockholders."

United Way officials flatly deny any connection with the decisions of the firms and dismissed Hill's charge as "silly". The corporate contributors made similar statements about their decision.

Hill also indicated that the Scouts would recover from the financial hits they have been taking recently. He said they are planning an aggressive fall fundraising campaign to recover the money they've been losing and that Scouting officials resent what he called "attempts to manipulate American values. Our values and principles are not up for sale."

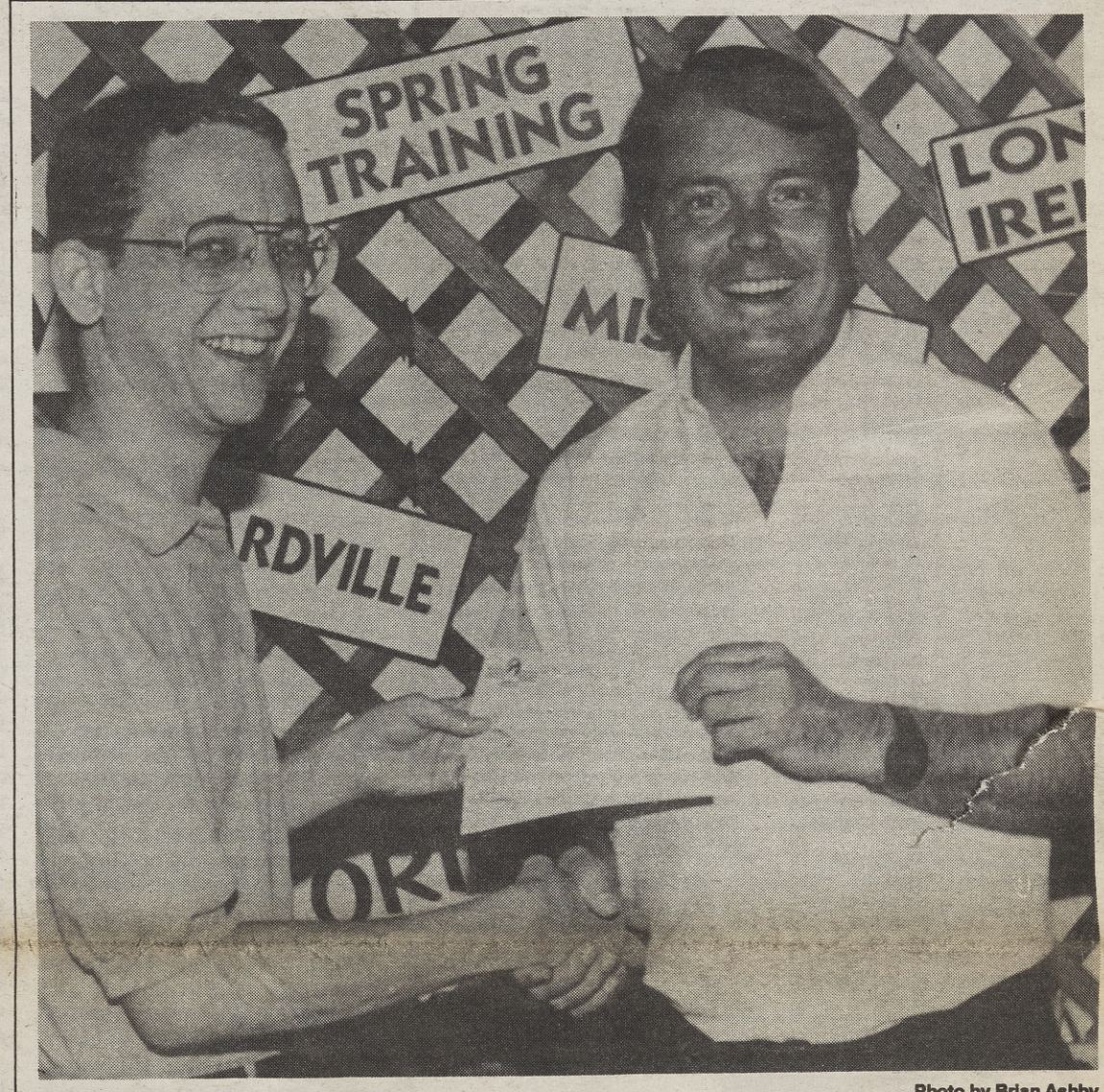
The defunding movement shows signs of spreading beyond the West Coast. A volunteer evaluation board at the United Way of Chicago determined that local Boy Scout chapters do not meet that charity's anti-bias policies requiring member agencies to provide equal opportunity to all individuals. If the Chicago United Way's executive board backs up the negative review, local Scout chapters there could lose an additional $700,000 or more.

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC), the central body of Reformed Judaism in America, also has called upon the Boy Scouts to "reconsider its position". In a letter to Richard Leet, president of the Boy Scouts of America, Rabbi Alexander M. Shindler, president of UAHC, noted that many youngsters in the Reformed community are involved in Scouting and that a number of member-congregations sponsor Scout troops. He praised the Scouts' emphasis on traditional family values "as being necessary components of a strong, healthy society" but disagreed that these values exclude gay men and lesbians.

"We stand firm in our belief that all people have basic rights, regardless of their sexual orientation. We Jews are too aware that the denial of basic human dignity can lead to a denial of civil rights and violence based on bigotry. We are aware of the prevalence of anti-gay violence in our society and the percentage of this violence which is perpetrated by adolescents."

Rabbi Shindler concluded, "We ask the Boy Scouts to play a leadership role in fostering respect for the basic dignity of all."

A spokesperson for the United Way Sacramento Area (UWSA) stated that while the organization had an internal employee hiring anti-discrimination policy, they only required contributors to comply with existing state law regarding discrimination on the basis of sexual preference. With the lack of a strong state anti-discrimination employment and housing law (such as AB 101 would have provided), and in the absence of an internal UWSA policy regarding discrimination on thre basis of sexual orientation, UWSA has no present conflict with BSA. Should existing state law change, however, UWSA would review the situation and determine whether further action should be taken.



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Hawaii Bound

David Borad receives 2 tickets for a 7 day Hawaiian vacation from Mark Hoffman, owner of Sports Leisure Travel. The drawing was held at the Lambda Fair.

Photo by David Welton

The Forgotten Scouts, an organization of former and present gay Scoutmasters and members, show their colors at San Francisco's Gay Freedom Day Parade.

This Just In...

As we go to press, two people have appeared at the Wells Fargo Bank in Auburn carrying placards denouncing Wells Fargo's decision to de-fund the Boy Scouts. Mary Essary, spokesperson for Wells Fargo in San Francisco, , stated that the pickets have been present for the past 2-3 days. They are not affiliated with any organization, including Scouting, but profess, "Our cause is just. We want to keep the BSA morally pure."

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Domestic Partnership Now!!!

Dear Editor:

In response to Mayor Anne Rudin's expressed interest in a Domestic Partnership plan, a coalition of organizations and individuals has held two general meetings since early April. The group is operating under the name of **The Sacramento Family Diversity Task Force.**

Members realized that this is an issue of recognizing the societal changes in the ways we live together. The members invited other groups and individuals in an attempt to make the task force as representative as possible. A steering committee was selected to meet with the Mayor's staff to determine how to proceed and to coordinate research and planning.

Based on the meeting with the Mayor's staff, the steering committee reported that the Mayor was very interested in the issue and would continue her research. The steering committee had a meeting with the Mayor and requested that the Mayor involve the Human Rights/Fair Housing Commission.

At the third meeting, the steering committee reported that the Mayor would consider the recommendation, but that she feels it would take too long. She is committed to moving ahead with the issue as quickly as possible. In July or August, she will propose an ordinance that will allow registration of unmarried people. The exact form and function of the ordinance will be researched. The body decided that a more formal structure was necessary and chose: Co-chairs: Michael Boyd and Glenn Mitchell, Treasurer: Keith Johnson.

The new Co-chairs are responsible for organizing the necessary committees to collate information and distribute it as widely as possible. This is an issue that affects many individuals and communities and it is not solely a gay/lesbian/bisexual issue. It is our goal to inform the various constituencies and answer questions before an ordinance is proposed. We want to identify supporters so that we can move quickly and effectively when needed. The Mayor was quite clear that she will need a great deal of public support when she proposes an ordinance.

We have five main tasks:
1. Collect information on ordinances and policies implemented by other cities and companies.
2. Collate the information into an easily accessible format.
3. Distribute the information packets and supply speakers through a speaker's bureau.
4. Establish a mailing and phone list of individuals and organizations.
5. Mobilize the community to show support for the ordinance.

Contact Michael (448-2383), Glenn (739-6757) to obtain the information packet. We also need speakers and lists of clubs, groups and organizations who are potential supporters of the concept. We need donations to pay for mailings, copying, etc. Contact Keith Johnson (444-0424) for information regarding donations.

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 14, 1992, 5:45pm, 926 J Street (2nd Floor Conference Room).

Sincerely,
Michael S. Boyd

Clinton Outshines...

Dear Editor:

Once the conventions are over and the race and debates come down to President Bush, Ross Perot and Bill Clinton, I believe that Clinton will begin to outshine his opponents. Contrary to what many have been saying and predicting, I believe that Clinton will debate and talk circles around his opponents with his astute ability to discuss specifics.

In view of his many years of secretly investigating private citizens (and government officials), black-mailing them and vastly increasing his wealth at the taxpayers expense with numerous Defense Department and other government contracts, I believe that Perot will self-destruct by Election Day. Hopefully the news media and many commentators will continue to move this process along. I honestly do not believe that Americans (or the House of Representatives) are about to elect (or appoint) another narrow-minded, bigoted and homophobic wealthy thug for president.

The reports and predictions I keep hearing, that Paul Tsongas and his supporters will endorse and save Perot, is total hogwash. This would clearly be a case of birds of the same feather flocking together.

A Perot or Bush victory would translate into a continuation of political gridlock in Washington. Clinton is the only one of the three who will be able to get any cooperation whatsoever from Congress.

Unlike Perot and Bush, Clinton is at least selling himself in an honest manner with flaws and all.

I certainly woild like to see the gay community get behind the presidential bid of Bill Clinton.

Sincerely,
David Raffield

Appropriate Behavior...

The following letter was sent to Mayor Frank Jordan in San Francisco

Dear Editor:

First let me extend my appreciation to you for your participation in our 23rd annual "Gay Pride Parade." As you can see from my address I am a current resident of Sacramento County. However, San Francisco is one of my favorite places. I am writing to you because I have a very intense concern about our gay community. For many years we have suffered from the ignorance of those who did not understand us; and I personally have died many times due to the lack of understanding from those who also suffer in blindness of their own deprivation.

During my weekend stay in San Francisco I had the unfortunate opportunity of experiencing blatent, public disregard of common decency among the thousands of us who cry for freedom. On Saturday, two young, naked men stood outside their upper balcony above us in the Castro and performed oral copulation. The crowd yelled and cheered up to them, and I pushed my way through yelling to the crowd of the indecency we were witnessing. And guess what, Mr.Jordan? All those around me (whom I did not know) agreed with me that this was very inappropriate behavior. *We are not all sick!* Some heterosexuals exhibit the same kind of behavior which leads only to the deep heterosexual fear that we are all equal in goodness, kindness and perversion.

I am a young woman in my 30s and do not believe we as a community should be subjected to this kind of aggregation. It is painfully obvious that some people fear peer pressure because they could not express aloud what they were really feeling. Can we do something about this together? Our fight for recognition does not mean perverted displays of self. Even the police in the area said nothing. We, like all others, require some limits. If heterosexuals displayed this type of behavior, wouldn't they be arrested for indecent exposure? Or is the idea here to judge all homosexuals on the actions of a few? I look forward to your reply on San Francisco policies.

Sincerely,
Karen Y. Sims

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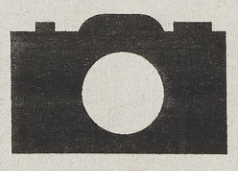

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Commentary:

Military Not All Bigots

by Dave Eckert
MGW ASSOC EDITOR

This article is the first in a series of reflective pieces that meditate on one person's struggle with HIV and a recent diagnosis of lymphatic cancer.

Although I officially retired from the United States Air Force in September of 1989, I have had a continuing relationship with the military establishment on a number of levels. On one level I have continued to contribute in any way I can to the struggle against the Department of Defense's policy against gays and lesbians in the military. I have written letters, testified in Washington before a Senate and House subcommittee investigating veterans' affairs, and helped start a local gay/lesbian veterans' organization that would speak to and support those who have struggled and struggle still against this inhuman policy. I will continue to aid that cause as long as my health allows.

On another level, my slowly deteriorating health has caused me to seek help from the Air Force medical community on a number of occasions, and it is here that I find a completely different attitude than was manifest in what might be called the "line" or operational side of the military establishment. I can say almost without qualification that every time I have sought treatment at an Air Force medical facility I have been treated with courtesy, compassion and respect. There are a number of reasons for this, two of which I would like to highlight. One, the men and women who enter the military medical service, for the most part, are less interested in the "military" aspect of their work as they are in the "medical" side. Oh, yes, there are your "Frank Burns" and "Major Hoolihans" in every medical organization but, as on "M.A.S.H.", they stick out like sore thumbs and are often regarded with amusement by those not quite so taken with the military mentality and more interested in dispensing quality medical care. Fortunately, they are few and far between. Secondly, and this is no secret, especially within the military in all branches of service, is that the medical services attract a large number of gay and lesbian service members, a fact that I truly believe contributes to the humane and tolerant attitude found at most military medical facilities. Gay and lesbians doctors, nurses, and med techs serve as a special leaven within this branch of the military, injecting a special brand of compassion, understanding, and humor in a very stressful, challenging and rewarding profession.

Let me illustrate what I mean. Recently my civilian doctor, after a series of extensive tests, diagnosed me with lymphatic cancer, cancer which had spread to my liver and pancreas and was moving quickly to other parts of my body. This diagnosis, on top of my HIV infection of six years, to put it euphemistically, did not look promising. Frankly, I was in a tail-spin. It is one thing to deal with essentially asymptomatic HIV, and quite another to be facing a cancer that requires an immediate and comprehensive response.

When I found out that I would not be able to be seen by a local oncologist (cancer specialist) for some two weeks, I decided to take matters in my own hands. I knew a good friend at Wilford Hall Regional Medical Center in San Antonio, the oncology center for the Air Force. This individual just happened to be highly placed in the oncology department, and when he heard my diagnosis and the fact that I would not be seen for some two weeks, I was on an Air Force aerovac airplane within 48 hours *with my male spouse* as a non-medical attendant headed for Wilford Hall. Upon arrival I was immediately checked in, Bill (my spouse) was housed locally at no charge, and within another 24 hours my diagnosis was confirmed and I was started on my first dose of a chemotherapy protocol for HIV positive people with lymphoma developed at UCLA just two years ago. During the entire 8 days of hospitalization we were both treated as if we were the only ones there.

My doctor friend in oncology had briefed his entire staff on who I has and my living situation, and we were treated with nothing but friendly respect and courtesy. Bill was allowed to come and go from the hospital as he pleased (a circumstance enhanced by the fact that a Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care naming him as the decision maker in the event of my incapacitation was filed in my medical records) and was present at almost all briefings by doctors and staff as to my condition. In short, we were exposed to *none* of the prejudice and bigotry that so permeates the operational side of the military. Granted, it is there, but in this profession, those who have difficulty with certain personal situations are encouraged to either "stuff it" or work elsewhere.

Since arriving back in California, my chemotherapy treatments have continued on an out patient basis at David Grant Medical Center at Travis AFB. As at Wilford Hall, Bill and I have received nothing but compassionate, comprehensive, caring treatment. I have been nothing but completely out and open with the medical staffs and have found that honesty has been returned with friendliness and a willingness by many to talk about the issues surrounding gays/lesbians and the military. As an example of their openness to listen, during my most recent stay at David Grant I was invited by the Chief of Infectious Medicine to address the internal medical staff on gay/lesbian issues as they might impact the administration of health care within the Air Force medical system. It was a remarkable hour of questions and answers (and, I hope, some enlightenment). Such a discussion would *never* take place in an operational environment.

My chemotherapy treatment will continue for the next four to six months as we attempt to bring this cancer under control. During that time I hope to share with you on a monthly basis my feelings and observations about that process and other aspects of being faced with two potentially deadly diseases. At the same time, I welcome your responses and observations to my articles, addressed to this newspaper. Through this dialogue perhaps we can in some way support each other in the continuing fight against AIDS. ▼

Government Spent $27 Million to Replace Gay Service Members

A long-awaited report by the U.S. Government on gays and lesbians in the military has revealed that a startling amount of money - $27 million in one year alone - has been spent to enforce the Department of Defense's anti-gay policy. The report, produced by the General Accounting Office (GAO), was hailed by gay activists as a major exposition of the military's "expensive and destructive" policy.

The reports findings show that 16,919 service members were dismissed from the military between 1980 and 1990 for homosexuality, at a cost of $493,195,968 to replace them. Of those ousted, 16,750 (99 percent) were enlisted and 169 (1 percent) were officers. (Officers are usually allowed to resign.)

The U.S. Navy discharged 51 percent of all those affected by this policy and conducted 68 percent of all DOD-wide investigations of homosexuality.

In 1990 alone, 1,000 service members were discharged at a cost of $27 million.

The report says the policy has no factual justification, "Scientific and military studies disagree with the military's longstanding policy that homosexuality is incompatible with military service."

Public opinion polls show increasing tolerance for homosexuality among the general public, including a rise in support for hiring homosexuals in the military from 51 percent surveyed in 1977 to 69 percent in 1991.

"GAO's comprehensive study provides a powerful argument for changing the Defense Department's out-dated policy of excluding gays and lesbians from military service," said Rep. Conyers (D-MI) who co-commissioned the report.▼

Military to Oust Lesbian Colonel

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

SEATTLE — The Pentagon's policy banning gays from serving in the nation's armed forces has claimed a highly decorated Vietnam veteran and mother of four children who has been in the Washington National Guard for 26 years. Colonel Margarethe (Greta) Cammermeyer acknowledged that she is a lesbian in 1989 as part of a security clearance investigation with military officials. Now, nothing short of direct intervention by the president or the Secretary of Defense could save her military career.

Col. Cammermeyer's next step will have to be taking the military to federal court to fight her discharge, acknowledging that she probably won't win that battle. But Cammermeyer says she believes where the war against the Defense Department's anti-gay policies will be won in the court of public opinion.

The National Guard, like all U.S. armed forces, bans gays and lesbians from service. The Pentagon says homosexuals in the military would harm morale.

Initially Cammermeyer says she was "hurt" by the military's response to her revelation. Now she feels stronger about coming out.

"I believe that this was what I'm supposed to be doing," she said. "Obviously my military career is finished, and I knew that the minute I told the truth in the investigation. But my reason for being isn't."

There has been increasing pressure on the Pentagon to change its anti-gay policy since the Persian Gulf War. Rep. Pat Schroeder (D-Colo.) was joined by 28 of her colleagues in the House in introducing the Military Freedom Act of 1992 that would prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation in the country's armed forces. The same day the bill was intro-

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Assessments Appeals Board	7/27/92	8/7/92	2 members 2 alternates
Building Standards Board	Open Filing		1 general member
Children's Commission	Open Filing		1 consumer youth
Commission on Aging	Open Filing		5 residents (55+)
Cordova Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing		2 residents of area
Cosumnes Area Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing		3 residents of area
County Health Council	7/20/92	7/31/92	1 consumer (gay/lesbian)
County Service Area #4B (Wilton-Cosumnes)	Open Filing		1 resident of area
Developmental Disabilities Planning Council	Open Filing		2 seats
Elk Grove Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing		3 residents of area
Elk Grove-Cosumnes Cemetary District	7/27/92	8/7/92	1 resident of area
Florin-Elder Creek Cemetery District	7/6/92	7/17/92	1 resident of area
Franklin/Laguna Area Comm. Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing		2 residents of area
Galt-Arno Cemetery District	Open Filing		2 residents of area
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North Highlands/Foothill Farms Community Planning Advisory Council	Open Filing		1 resident of area
Physically Handicapped Appeals Board	Open Filing		1 phy. hand. mbr.
Sacramento Commission of History & Science	Open Filing		1 seat (Nom by Super. 1st Dist.)
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Courage Keeps the Light Burning

by Sonya Cox
HIV/AIDS EDITOR

"This article was written as a "profile in courage" about one of the AIDS community's leading activists, a renowned artist whose paintings are found throughout Sacramento, and whose continued willingness over the years to be among the first to take new medications and try alternative therapies - both for himself and on behalf of others - has served as a testament to the courage in the HIV fight.

Unfortunately, this fine man, Kerry Sutton, lost his fight last week, on July 9, just as this article was about to go to print. May you fly on the wings of angels, Kerry."

"The one thing I dreaded most since my AIDS diagnosis," nationally-renowned Sacramento artist Kerry Sutton once said, "was that I'd lose my sight."

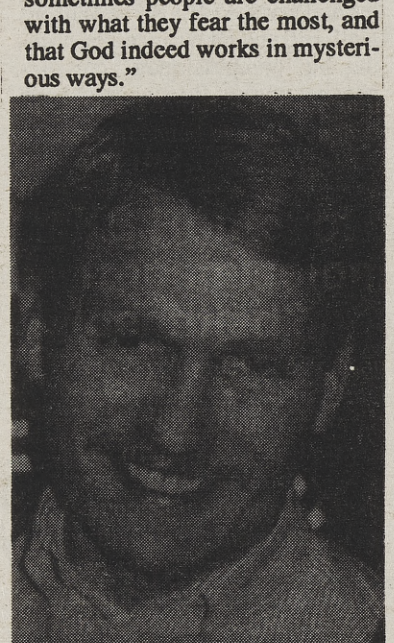
Sutton, 39, whose masterpieces hang in the CARES clinic on Capitol Avenue and in the homes of art lovers throughout the city, became completely blind within the last few months. Understandingly discouraged as his sight first in one eye, and then the other, began to fade because of CMV retinitis, he continued painting, still the man of vision who has held the torch for others to follow in their fight with this devastating disease.

Working with his physician, Sutton long ago created for himself a health program that placed him in the category known as "long-term survivors."

"I've been positive with the HIV virus for well over a decade, and I've remained relatively healthy because I continually stay aware of progress by researchers, and follow a rigorously healthy diet, supplemented by a regimen of vitamins to replace nutrients lost during the course of the disease. I've held the AIDS virus at bay with a combination of Chinese herbs, medications, and visualization.

"When my sight began to fail about two years ago, and I first started having tunnel vision and floaters, I tried every combination of medication I could to control the retinitis. The drugs used to halt and treat retinitis work for most people but, for whatever reason, they couldn't stop my sight from continuing to deteriorate. I even told my optomologist to inject foscarnet directly into the eye itself.

"The pain was excruciating, and it didn't work," said Sutton. "Now I've come to conclude that sometimes people are challenged with what they fear the most, and that God indeed works in mysterious ways."



Kerry Sutton

Was it just a coincidence, he pondered, that he nearly finished his pre-med courses in college before deciding to switch to art? "This extensive medical background has allowed me to understand complex medical journals dealing with AIDS research, and develop a better-than-average grasp of how medications and food supplements work together with one another.

"It's allowed me to experiment with more confidence with unproven theories and medications, and pass along to others the information I've discovered as well as the results of my individual health programs. I've experimented with medications such as Compound Q and NAC, an amino acid that seems to stimulate T-cell counts. I'm no longer using Q, but my body seems to respond to NAC and I'm continuing to use it even though it's still in the trials stage of research.

"At the moment, though," he says, "I'm concentrating on mastering this new world of sightlessness. My artistry has allowed me to follow my heart, but I'm re-learning how to express myself because now more than ever I have to rely on what I find within."

"I don't dwell on the negative, although that is a part of life too. I try to show the brighter side of life. We create the world and if we see ourselves in a good world in the future, then that's what we will create. But if we sit around and believe in the nuclear bomb and that we are doomed to destruction, we will create that.

"I dream myself alive. We create our realities. I'm making my reality that I'm alive and healthy, and I *AM* when I'm working. Despite my new situation, I'm still the AIDS activist who will continue to keep informed about how to stay as healthy as possible, and the artist who looks inside for his vision."

Since Sutton's arrival in Sacramento in 1987, his popularity has increasingly grown; he's respected among the artist community and his work can be found virtually throughout the city. His paintings have been shown at Accurate Art Gallery, the Light Rail Gallery, and the Tower Corporate Art Center. Other displays included showings in New York, Vancouver, British Columbia, San Francisco, and Reno; and his corporate art for Touche Ross, Corps de Care at Kaiser Hospital, and other large companies is continually enjoyed by hundreds of viewers.

Born in 1952, Sutton started painting at the age of eleven. His first exhibition was at the age of 21. His desire to experiment with the use of abstraction, color and light led to the creation of incredible two and three dimensional images that incorporated the use of acrylic, neon, and other materials - resulting in electrifying images that surged with an unrivaled creativeness.

"I used to paint a lot of landscapes and still life, but after discovering I was HIV positive my work has become spiritual." This new philosophy can be seen in his more recent works such as A Letter to God - Looking for a Miracle (the etherial 5x5 foot work that hangs at the CARES clinic), Transition of the Soul, Heaven's Gate, The Other Side, and numerous others.

His intricate and unique paintings take the viewer on a journey through geometric planes and swirling dimensions that pave the way to infinite realms of discovery. Each painting is a reassuring testament to his belief in the eternal light within; that there is no end...only new beginnings.

Kerry Sutton's light as an artist, an AIDS activist, and a human being has made the world a better place to be, and shines brightly as a beacon for others to follow. He represents the fighting spirit of strength and resiliency that gives hope to others as they learn of their diagnosis, and learn how to join the ranks of the "long term survivors." Kerry Sutton's zeal lights their way as the road gets rough, twisting often into unknown directions. His candle is an inspiration for those who are fighting AIDS with dignity and courage.▼

Boy Scouts & Gays

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An ad sponsored by the American Family Association of Northern California, a conservative "traditional values" organization affiliated with Rev. Don Wildmon's American Family Association, appeared this week in the *Laguna Progress News* urging a boycott of Levi Strauss, Bank of America and Wells Fargo Bank. The ad urged individuals, in addition to boycotting, to contact these corporations and complain. Responding to the withdrawl of financial support, Don Wildmon said, "The fact that these businesses would penalize the Boy Scouts—because the group refuses to accept openly practicing homosexuals as scoutmasters—proves they no longer want or desire the businesses of the overwhelming majority of Americans!"

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Lesbian and Gay Journalists Look Inward at Historic Meeting

by David Welton
OF MGW STAFF

Lesbian and gay media professionals from across the country gathered at an unprecedented conference to examine their roles as journalists in mainstream print and electronic media. The first annual Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association conference, held recently in San Francisco, explored the delicate balance between advocacy and objectivity in news coverage of gay issues.

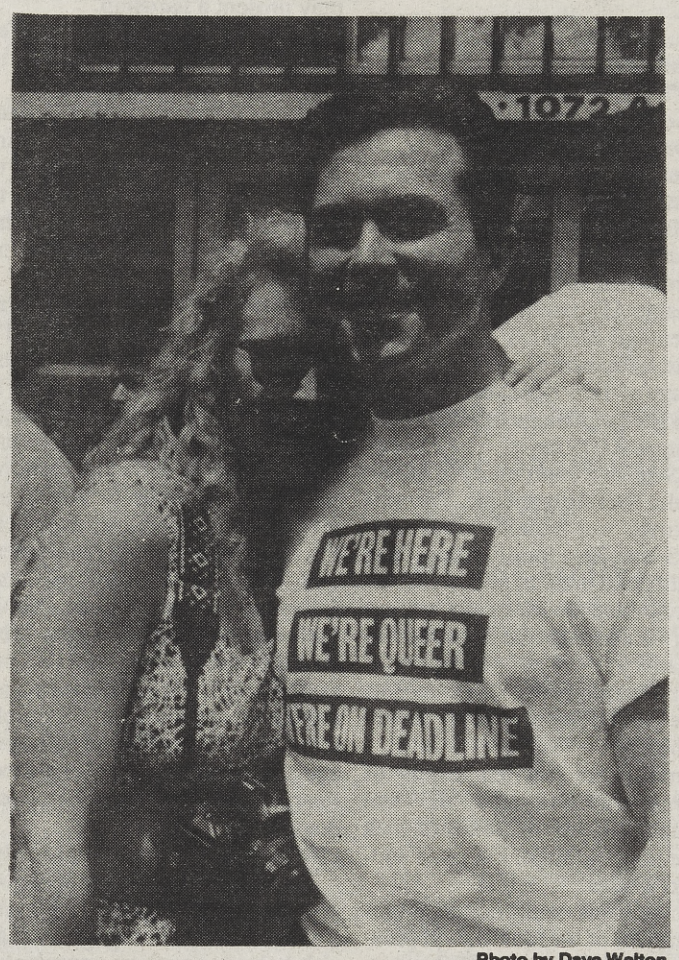
NLGJA founder and president Leroy Aarons, a Pulitzer-Prize winning former executive editor of the *Oakland Tribune* called for an end to the invisibility of gay and lesbian journalists and stressed the responsibility "to oppose mis-portrayal and correct bad journalism."

An ongoing quarrel between Andrew Sullivan, the conservative 29-year-old editor of *The New Republic*, and Michelangelo Signorile, a founder of both Queer Nation and the now defunct *Outweek* magazine, erupted during the proceedings. Their debate, focusing on journalistic ethics and appropriate tools for social change was a central theme of the conference.

In an interview Sullivan stated, "I don't want to be the gay editor. I want to be the editor who's gay. Being gay is not a political act. To me, it's not even the most important part of my life."

Signorile sees things differently. He urges journalists to "punch the buttons." In an *Advocate* article he outed Pete Williams, a spokesman for the Pentagon where military sanctioned anti-gay discrimination continues.

"Outing is a natural process that will eventually become obsolete," said Signorile during his talk on journalism ethics. He sees outing as a necessary tool in the fight for equal treatment of gays and lesbians and visualizes a time when it won't be necessary.



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A member of the National Lesbian and Gay Journalist's Association shows off the official T-shirt.

During a luncheon address Randy Shilts took exception to Signorile's views. He described Queer Nationalists as "lavender fascists" and decried outing as the "politics of petulance." Shilts is author of *And The Band Played On: Politics, People and the AIDS Epidemic*, and, a book that's the basis for an upcoming Oliver Stone film, *The Mayor of Castro Street: the Life and Times of Harvey Milk.*

Film maker Marlon Riggs showed clips from his latest work *Non, Je Ne Regrette Rien* a film about black HIV+ gay men. His earlier work, *Tongues Untied*, put riggs in a national firestorm involving ultra-conservative presidential candidate Pat Buchanan, the National Endowment for the Arts and PBS.

Colonel Margarethe Cammermeyer, a lesbian chief nurse expelled from the Army National Guard, spoke of her fight against the military. Other panelists included Robert C. Maynard, editor and publisher of the *Oakland Tribune*, Robert Kaiser, managing editor of the *Washington Post*, Narda Zacchino, associate editor of the *Los Angeles Times* and Emerald Yeh, news anchor for KRON-TV.

Approximately 300 attended the conference held between June 25 and 27. The NLGJA, with 600 members and eight regional chapters, grew from a 1989 survey by the American Society of Newspaper Editors survey.

Survey results found widespread dissatisfaction among gay and lesbian print journalists working in newsrooms. Two-thirds rated their paper's coverage of gay issues as fair to poor, more than 80% said too little space is devoted to lesbian and gay issues.▼

Oregon Starts "Say No To Hate"

When *48 Hours* singled out Oregon in its hate crimes program, some Oregonians like the Reverend Doctor Rodney Page weren't happy. He and other civil rights groups are denouncing the forces of hate that *48 Hours* named, and celebrating diversity instead by creating the Oregon Freedom Festival.

"We are here to combat Oregon's appearance as a bigoted state in the face of the Oregon's Citizen Alliance's move to amend the Oregon Constitution to ban any minority, religious and civil rights groups and have announced a 3-day festival to celebrate Oregon's diversity," says Page, Executive Director of Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon.

"We are here to announce that we celebrate all humanity, all religions, all colors, all variations among God's children," Page continues. "Bigotry will not find a welcome home in Oregon."

Oregon has been the sight of several hate crimes, the most notorious was the murder of Mulugeta Seraw, a 21-year old Ethiopian student, in Portland in November 1988, featured in a recent *48 Hours* program featuring hate crimes which singled out the Oregon Citizens Alliance's homophobic campaign.

The festival, scheduled for July 24-26, will take place on Portland's Chapman-Lownsdale Square, facing City Hall, between S.W. 3rd and 4th on Main. The festival will offer entertainment for everyone. Call (503) 241-2846 for information.▼

Military Ousts Lesbian

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duced, two Navy career personnel - Lt. Tracy Thorne in Virginia Beach, Va., and Petty Officer Keith Meinhold at Moffett Field - both publicly revealed that they are gay on ABC-TV news programs.

But Cammermeyer, who is 50, says younger service people should think twice before coming out. "Do you need to be another soldier that falls, just to let the Army have another casualty without having something else happen first. Being another victim isn't going to help the situation at this point," she says.

Nevertheless Cammermeyer says she admires their courage in coming out, but believes it might be best for them to stay in the military and prove that the nation's armed services don't fall apart with them in uniform. That's what Cammermeyer says she did - at least until now.

Cammermeyer won a Bronze Star in Vietnam and in 1985 was selected as nurse of the year by the U.S. Veterans Administration. She is believed to be the highest ranking military officer to be discharged to date after voluntarily coming out.

Unlike other uniformed personnel who have come out and faced discharge, Cammermeyer has gotten a good deal of support from people in high places. Her commanding officer, Maj. Gen. Greg Barlow, who commands the Washington National Guard, has indicated he would prefer to keep her in the Guard. Washington Gov. Booth Gardner and several of the state's Congressional delegation have said they support Cammermeyer and will try to convince President Bush and Congress to get the Pentagon policy changed.

But Defense Department officials have still given no indication that they intend to change the policy of excluding gays and lesbians whom they still insist are "incompatible with military service."▼

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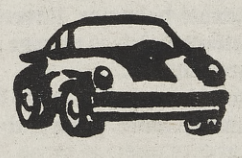

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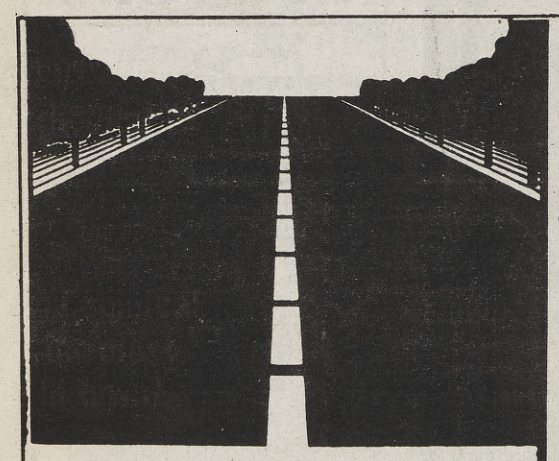

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HIV newsline

by Sonya Cox
MGW HIV/AIDS EDITOR

AIDS Action League...

The AIDS Action League, a non-profit group that solicits by telephone and goes door to door for donations "to combat AIDS in Sacramento," has been under scrutiny for quite some time because of its questionable financial management. A San Joaquin County newsletter says AAL is now canvassing in Stockton without a license, seeking donations for its Sacramento "Families Too" home for women and families with AIDS. The newsletter encourages its readers to "exercise caution in donating to AAL." It further quotes the *Stockton Record's* findings that little more than 30 percent of AAL's revenues actually go toward the Sacramento home. Apparently, the bulk of AAL donations goes to pay the salaries of management and canvassers. AAL's 1991 "progress report" says it has developed a list of people who want to adopt children when their mother dies, and reports that "our community outreach workers were paid $310 per week for their hard work and dedication to stopping the spread of HIV disease. The largest executive salary was $600 per week." (That's $16,000 per year for each solicitor, whom they call "volunteers," and at least one salary of $31,000.) The Sacramento Health Council recently reported to the County Board of Supervisors that it's unclear whether the Families Too home is, in fact, "open and operational" and "to express its serious concerns regarding the status of AAL, its activities and fundraising methods." Its report concludes that it "cannot offer support to AAL or sanction its activities in any way." MGW readers in Sacramento, San Joaquin and other counties are therefore urged to exercise caution in donating money to the AIDS Action League, or donating their time to the league's endeavors, or supporting fund-raisers given on their behalf.

Mind-Boggling Statistics...

• Over 146,000 Californians are thought to be HIV positive, with 30,390 deaths reported here since the beginning of the epidemic a decade ago, and 13,309 living with AIDS. California cities hit the hardest are Los Angeles, with 14,600 AIDS cases, and San Francisco, with 12,000 cases of full-blown AIDS over the past decade (these two cities alone accounting for over 26,000 of the 43,700 cases statewide). The San Francisco Department of Public Health estimates that city's AIDS caseload will reach 17,000 within the next 18 months. Of an estimated 56,000 gay and bisexual men currently living in San Francisco, as many as 35,000 are thought to be HIV positive. That city has lost 8,800 so far.

• In Sacramento, over 600 have died. Of 4,000-5,000 estimated to be HIV positive, 304 are living with full-blown AIDS, and about 1,000 are receiving treatment for HIV disease. The majority, however, for whatever reasons, have not yet been tested and are receiving no treatment and information on how to extend their lives by many years.

• It's estimated that about 1,500,000 people in the U.S. are HIV positive (although most have not been tested, are not getting life-lengthening treatment, and are spreading the disease like wildfire). Nearly 80,000 Americans are living with full-blown AIDS. The Public Health Service estimates that, within the next 18 months, the total of cumulative AIDS cases (now at 220,000) could reach 480,000. The estimate of U.S. deaths from AIDS by the end of 1993 (now at nearly 145,000) could be 340,000 (the numbers are more than doubling now every 18 months).

• World-wide, as many as 12 million are thought to carry the HIV virus, and 2 million with AIDS. Of this estimated number, 484,000 cases in 164 countries have been reported.

• The Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta from now on will be providing quarterly statistics rather than monthly.

DDC Approved

The Food and Drug Administration recently announced its approval of a third anti-viral drug, DDC, to fight AIDS. It can be used only in combination with AZT, and cannot be used alone, as DDI can. Its approval means several things: it's immediately available in local pharmacies; it's immediately covered by Medical; and it's no longer available through buyer's clubs where it sold for $25. Its new price, estimated between $150 and $220 per month, has been set by the drug manufacturer. The extra money, they say, helps pay for past research to develop the medication, future research to develop other medication, and "compassionate use" programs to allow greater access to the drug. At a time when state and county governments are trying to take care of more people with less money, and with an estimated 60 percent of all people with HIV in Sacramento on Medical, it might be considered appropriate if manufacturer Hoffman-LaRoche documented for users how the company arrived at this price, and detailed their projected commitment to the community so we have a better understanding of this nearly-ten-fold price increase for a medication

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AIDS and the Latino Community: Very Bad News

by John Mello
OF MGW STAFF

According to Surgeon General Antonia Novello, "AIDS is no longer a disease of 'them.' It is a disease of all of 'us' -a disease of families. In its second decade, AIDS is increasingly young, female and heterosexual. It is also increasingly Hispanic. Hispanics have twice the percentage of AIDS cases which would be expected given our percentage of the population, and three times the percentage of female and pediatric AIDS cases.. The issue of AIDS in our community is much broader than the epidemic. We must convince our communities that AIDS truly is a family issue - and that difficult matters, such as sexual behavior and the use of alcohol and other drugs, must be discussed in the family."

The health status of Latinos/as in the United States today is deeply troubling:

• Among the top ten killers of Latinos/as are homicide, AIDS and perinatal conditions, none of which are among the major killers of non-latino whites.

• Latinos/as comprise approximately 9% of the total U.S. population and 16% of all AIDS cases; 15% of male cases (38% injection drug use, 7% men having sex with men); 20% of female cases (50% injection drug use, 39% heterosexual contact.)

Looking at the figures from the California Department of Health Services Office of AIDS, the incidence of California Latino AIDS cases climbs steeply from 1981 to 1990 to well over 1000 new cases each year. New Latina AIDS cases have stayed below 100 each year. The data for 1991 is still incomplete, but is already over 1000 Latinos/as. What will these totals ultimately climb to for 1991 and 1992?

There are a number of things that contribute to this unclear picture of where the Latino/a community is going in terms of testing for infection with HIV and subsequent diagnosis with symptomatic AIDS:

• Latinos/as who lack health care hesitate to come into county clinics, which may not provide bilingual and other culturally sensitive services. Undocumented workers fear detention by the INS, and may mistrust clinics due to the tradition of being treated by herbal healers in the rural areas they migrated from.

• There is the fear of being seen at an HIV test site and being labelled as gay or as an injection drug user. Going outside the county to test may present a hardship.

• Injection drug users fear arrest for their illegal activities. Inmates in the prisons fear segregation.

• There is a cross-cultural fear/denial of death, as in: "I don't want to know" or "It won't happen to me." Educational outreach to Latinos/as is difficult, requiring great sensitivity and one-on-one counseling.

Consequently, many Latinos/as are only diagnosed once their HIV disease has progressed to AIDS and they are already very ill. This is avoidable because AIDS, though incurable, is now increasingly manageable due to early intervention and a variety of drugs and treatments. HIV support groups, to help the individual and the family deal with their emotional problems, also are found to prolong lives. People with AIDS struggle to see their situation not as dying of AIDS but as living with AIDS. Most undocumented workers with AIDS simply leave the country "to die at home" and their deaths are not reported. Fear, shame and silence will have a devastating
effect on the Latino/a community.

The tragic facts are that untested, possibly HIV infected Latinos/as are continuing to engage in high risk behavior such as unprotected sex and needle sharing. Health experts see the Latino/a community now as being where the white gay male population was in the mid-1980s before five years of successful education and intervention efforts slowed down the incidence of AIDS cases. The situation for Latinos/as is, as Surgeon General Novello says, "Like putting a match next to a can of gasoline."

Why is this high risk behavior continuing?

• Migration contributes to alcohol abuse, alcohol removes inhibitions and impairs judgment, and separation and loneliness contribute to promiscuity. Labor contractors bring in prostitutes to the labor camps who may not demand safe sex practices and who may be injection drug users.

• Homosexual, bisexual and heterosexual Latino men have sex with each other but hide this behavior from the rest of society and each other. They do not consider having unprotected sex with other men to be risky behavior as long as they are the active partners ("top.") The machismo of penetrating/dominating other men (like women) contributes to bisexual behavior. Poverty can lead heterosexuals to engage in bisexual prostitution.

• Sex without a condom is felt to be more intimate, more pleasurable and "el derecho del senor" (the master's right.) A Latina may risk violence if she dares to demand condom use because her partner may feel castrated by her presumed authority over his masculinity. It is difficult to introduce condoms into an existing, ongoing relationship.

• Latino fathers and uncles may take adolescent boys directly to prostitutes to learn about sex without any prior discussion about basic sexuality. A broad range of sexual activity and experimentation is encouraged as part of their coming of age.

• Adolescent Latina are taught that good and virtuous women do not talk about sex, which is something that happens to them in the dark and in silence. Sex education that is not tactful in the climate of fear surrounding AIDS only perpetuates Latinas' fear of sexuality by equating it with illness and death, and may not be effective.

• 54% of adolescents are sexually active (with the average age of the first sexual experience as low as 12 in some urban areas) with 63% of those admitting they do not consistently use condoms. Unprotected anal intercourse is practiced to protect virginity or avoid pregnancy.

• There is a surge in drug abuse which is bringing along with it an increase in sexually transmitted diseases (which may facilitate HIV infection) among those who trade sex for drugs. Hypersexual activity is caused by stimulation from crack (cocaine) and crank (methamphetamine.)

• Shooting up for the first time requires sharing someone else's works. Couples do not consider sharing needles to be technically sharing. California laws currently leave addicts without the availability f clean needles and syringes.

• California Department of Corrections does next to nothing to educate prisoners (except for permitting outside volunteers) about the risks of HIV transmission, nor do they provide condoms, with the simple explanation that "Sex is illegal in the prisons." The Latino/a prison population has increased from 28% in 1989 to 32% today.

The list goes on and we have not even looked at pediatric AIDS, hemophilia, transfusion, and the multiple modes of exposure with the above. It's going to take a positive commitment from all sectors of the population and full education and open communication if we are going to empower people in the larger social context and combat this devastating epidemic.▼

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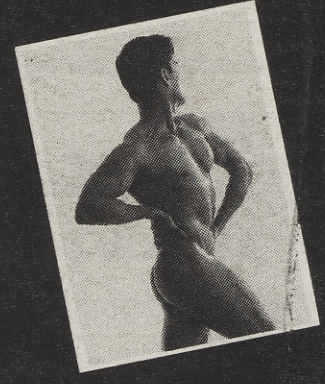
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Church Extends Benefits to Gay/ Lesbian Domestic Partners

Dental insurance coverage appears to be the beginning of health insurance benefits being extended to gay and lesbian partners of Episcopal Diocesan clergy. The Episcopal Diocese of Newark, New Jersey recently voted to include the domestic partners of its homosexual constituents in its health benefits plans only after one of its members pushed for inclusion of her life partner.

Following principles of non-discrimination, the Diocese afforded its gay and lesbian members the opportunity to include their partners under their dental policies. This decision included lay personnel as well.

Gay Man Fights to Stay in Navy

The fight for gays and lesbians to serve in the military continues as yet another soldier "came out" on national television to protest the Pentagon's decision on banning homosexuals from serving in the armed forces. Petty Officer Keith Meinhold, a 30-year-old gay sailor stationed at Moffett Field admitted to being gay on ABC's "World News Tonight." Meinhold, who admits that his case will probably fail in its attempt to a Pentagon reversal of gays and lesbians serving in the armed forces, decided to come forward anyway in defense of dozens of sailors who were stationed in Japan and discharged on "allegations" of homosexual activity alone.

Meinhold is said to be a model sailor with no behavioral problems by those who have worked closely with him.

--Sacramento Bee

Reporter Sues Over Sexual Harassment

A San Diego Union reporter states that she had to consistently fight off the advances of her female editor and boss and is suing the paper because of inaction on the company's part to intervene. Lillian Mei-Wang said she was the center of unwanted sexual attention from religion and ethics editor Sandra Dolbee and was given bad performance evaluations after she complained to management. When the paper merged with the San Diego Tribune, Wang was let go and she decided to file suit.

--Sacramento Bee

Genre Shares the Wealth

In the ongoing effort to fight AIDS, *Genre* magazine has decided to spread the wealth. With an ever-growing readership, *Genre* continues to take off and has decided to give back to the community that has made them successful. A substantial percentage of new paid subscriptions--50 percent to be exact--will be contributed to AIDS organizations in four major U.S. cities: The AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA), The Caring Center of Denver, Colorado, the Chicago AIDS Foundation and People With AIDS Coalition of New York. *Genre* has a subscription base of 18,000 readers, 20,000 issues are sold on the newsstands and at least 60,000 more additional copies of the gay periodical are distributed free of charge to gay newspapers across the country.

--Genre

New Book on Anti-Gay Hate Crimes

A book on the statistics, academics, research and personal stories about survivors of anti-gay and lesbian violence is now available. *Hate Crimes: Confronting Violence Against Lesbians and Gay Men* takes a look at the trauma such hate crimes generate, as well as the societal impact of anti-gay violence. The book is co-edited by Gregory Herek, Ph.D and Kevin Berrill, the director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF), and is endorsed by Rep. John Conyers and Urvashi Vaid, NGLTF Executive Director. Copies of *Hate Crimes: Confronting Violence Against Lesbians and Gay Men* may be ordered from Sage Publications, Inc., 2455 Teller Road, Newbury Park, CA 91320-2218; or phone (805) 499-0721. Review copy requests should be directed to Laury Greening at Sage Publications.

Sentinel Office Attacked

The San Francisco Sentinel, a gay newspaper out of the Bay area, was the target of a recent attack the editors believe was the work of activists who chose to remain anonymous. The The *Sentinel* offices were pelted with eggs and its news boxes were covered with stickers and paint. These attacks are believed to be the response of radical activists who refuse to hear both sides of any news issue that affects the gay and lesbian community. The *Sentinel* has stated they they have a long-standing policy to be objective with all newspieces and never hesitate to print many viewpoints--even those opposing gay politics.

--The Sentinel

First Openly Lesbian Speaker at DNC

Roberta Achtenberg will be the first openly lesbian speaker to address the 1992 Democratic National Convention (DNC) on July 14. Achtenberg was appointed to the 15-member Platform Drafting Committee by Gov. Bill Clinton and is working with the committee to address such issues as women's health, AIDS, civil rights and childcare. Also on the agenda will be Bob Hattoy, a man who was recently diagnosed with AIDS.

--The Sentinel

Perot Creates Link with Gay/ Lesbian Community

After making such incendiary remarks about not appointing a gay or lesbian to a cabinet positior should he become president, Ross Perot appears to be trying to make amends and regain some loss footage in his bid for the White House. Perot's liaison to the gay and lesbian community, Debra Olson, was introduced earlier this month and set out to appease the homosexual voting public by stating that Perot truly cares about the issues that affect them. Olson stated that Perot was "shocked" by the amount of discrimination gays and lesbians undergo in this country. Olson will officially serve as Perot's Civil Rights Coordinator.

--B.A.R.

Japanese Activists Fight to Produce Change Overseas

A group of gay Japanese activists arrived in San Francisco to participate in the Gay and Lesbian Pride Parade, as well as meet with San Francisco Supervisors Tom Ammiano and Roberta Achtenberg. The Association for the Lesbian and Gay Movement in Japan, OCCUR, are seeking support in the U.S. for a lawsuit they've filed against the Tokyo municipal government. OCCUR has been denied access to public youth centers in Japan and gay and lesbian Japanese citizens are increasingly discriminated against because of their homosexual orientation and lifestyle. m Supervisor Ammiano has signed a letter in support of OCCUR which will be sent to the Tokyo Board of Education and the Tokyo District Court.

--B.A.R.

The Evolution of Parenting

Gay and Lesbian parents recently drafted letters to President Bush and Vice President Dan Quayle about their attacks on the state of American families. With Quayle's tirade against the "negative" portrayal of single-parenting in the form of "Murphy Brown" and Bush's statements evoking "abnormalcy" when it comes to gay and lesbian households, homosexual parents have stepped out of the bureaucratic closet to educate the president and his sidekick on the evolving family structure and parenting unit in this country. Gay and Lesbian parents have lambasted both men for their homophobic and closeted statements about the American family structure and wish to convey to the politicians that when it comes to parenting they, as homosexuals, have the same concerns about their children that straight parents do. But the most "important ingredient" missing from Bush's and Quayle's attacks was love and the role it plays in any relationship, straight or gay.

--B.A.R.

Pentagon Anti-Gay Policy Halted During Gulf War

A memo passed down from the Pentagon during the Gulf War called for a temporary restriction against the ousting of gay and lesbian soldiers, ordering them to serve in Saudi Arabia if sent only to face discharge once they return home.

The memo was the subject of a heated debate between Human Rights Campaign Fund Director Tim McFeeley and republican congressman Robert Dornan on NBC's Today Show. Dornan claimed the memo was a fabrication on McFeeley's part and challenged him to provide proof of the document's existence, which McFeeley did the next day.

The memo, in essence, states that all military personnel claiming to be homosexual will be placed into Active Duty to fight in the Gulf War, unless discharge papers for them have already been placed on file and discharge is in progress, and those same personnel face dismissal on the grounds of homosexuality once back on American soil.

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Commission on Gay and Lesbian Youth

Massachusetts Governor William Weld has formally created a commission to address the needs and concerns of gay and lesbian at-risk youths. The "Governor's Commission on Gay and Lesbian Youth" was formed June 11, and 27 members were sworn in. The commission will report to the governor and inform and advise him of issues of major concern affecting gay teens, such as suicide, homelessness and violence. Gay activist David LaFontaine, of the Massachusetts Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights, will act as Chair of the newly formed commission.

Gay Deputy Sheriff Wins Reinstatement

In a move that was considered a "groundbreaking vindication of the rights of gay men and lesbians," a Florida deputy sheriff, fired for being gay, was reinstated with full backpay.

Deputy sheriff Thomas Woodard was forced into resigning his post after an investigation into his private life was conducted amidst allegations about his sexuality. Before Woodard's forced resignation he was consistently cited for his exemplary work performance and received high evaluations from his supervisors and co-workers.

Sheriff Walter Gallagher, who described homosexuality as "unnatural" and "inexcusable," was condemned by the Fraternal Order of Police for his discriminatory actions.

AmFAR Receives Prestigious Spanish Award

The "Principe de Asturias" Prize for Solidarity was recently bestowed upon the American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFAR) for recognition in their fight against AIDS/HIV worldwide. AmFAR was selected from at least a dozen other organizations as a leader in the fight against the dreaded disease and cited for its contributions in the war against AIDS in developing countries.

The Principe de Asturias Foundation was established by Prince Felipe of Spain in 1980 and presents awards of excellence in the fields of science, culture and the humanities to groups and individuals who have achieved significantly in those areas.

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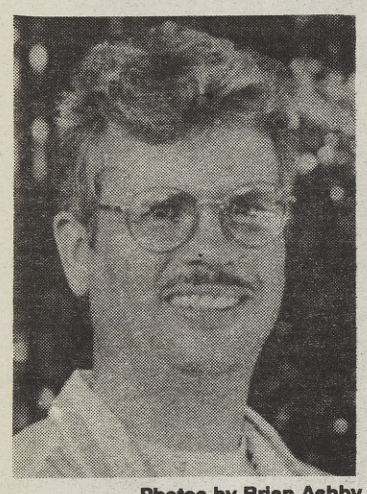

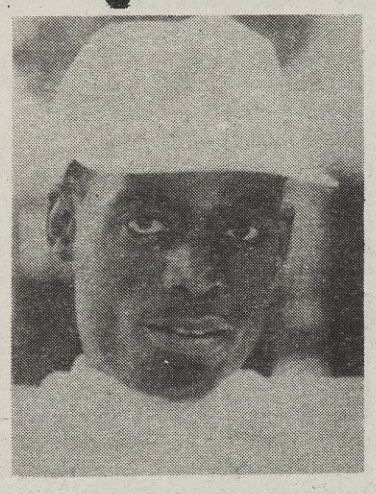

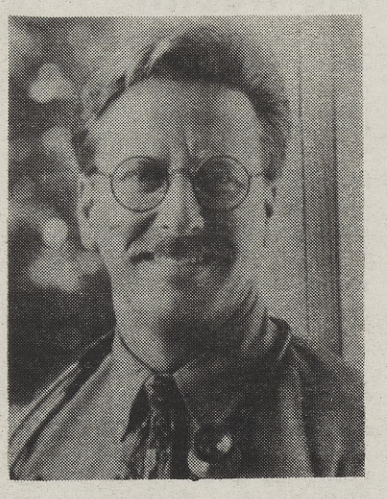

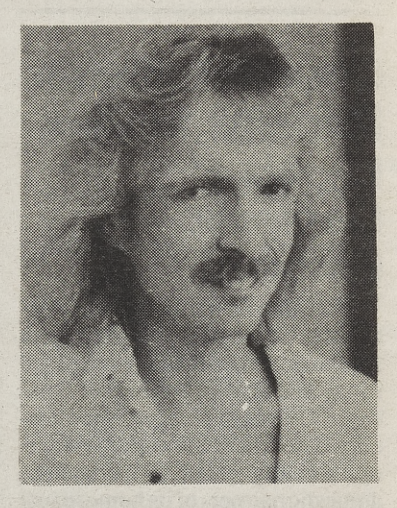

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Michael Campbell

"No, I don't think so—when we accept our own way of being gay, we can accept other' expressions. I do feel we need to work with the media on who they seek out to show and give the spot light to."

Gary Parish

"I feel they should govern themselves accordingly—exploiting of one's sexual attitudes isn't necessary in public!"

Michele Marchioli

"I feel people need to be who they are—as a community we should be able to support each other non-judgmentally. The media should work harder on a more balanced coverage of who we are."

Mark Ghiglieri

"Yes—I don't feel its right for someone who chooses to behave unacceptably in public to ride on the coattails of those who are striving to be accepted as reasonable people. It's each individual's responsibility to gain acceptance for themselves."

Bobby Harris

"Why should we as individuals change our behaviors when the problem with our image is created by a media that chooses to promote only negative or controversial behaviors."

▼ media watch

by Hollie Conley
GLAAD/SFBA

Idaho Heterosexualized

Wonder why the video box for Gus Van Sant's *My Own Private Idaho* shows River Phoenix (gay in the film) and Keanu Reeves (sexually ambivalent) each with a woman? This movie was not about heterosexual relationships!

Instead of courting gay consumers, the marketers chose to distort the movie's content and render its gay focus invisible. Write to Stephen Einhorn, President, New Line Home Video, 888 7th Ave., New York, NY 10106.

World News Tonight

ABC's World News Tonight with Peter Jennings has taken the lead ahead of other network newscasts in its coverage of lesbian/gay issues.

On May 19, a report aired on the military's anti-gay witch hunts. On May 26, Dick Schaap profiled Bruce Hayes, an openly gay former Olympic god medal winner (swimming) who is now working to promote the Gay Games.

On June 12, World News Tonight aired a story on the fight in Oregon against an anti-gay initiative that would ban gay rights protection, reporting the rise in anti-gay violence since the campaign began and the gay community's response.

World News Tonight shows just how invisible you are at CBS and NBC! Praise should go to Paul Friedman, Executive Producer, World News Tonight, ABC News, 47 w. 66th St., New York, NY 10023.

Roseanne

Roseanne Arnold has told QW magazine that her TV sister (played by Laurie Metcalf) may have lesbian relationships in coming seasons. Metcalf, by the way, was great as a lesbian cop in the movie Internal Affairs. Drop Roseanne a line and support Jackie's coming out. Write to Roseanne Arnold, Co-Executive Producer, Roseanne, Carsey-Werner Co., 4024 Radford Avenue, Studio City, CA 91604.

Springfield, Oregon

On May 19, the voters of Springfield, Oregon passed a chilling local ordinance. The ordinance mandates that discrimination based on sexual orientation shall remain legal, and that neither public funds nor property may be used to "promote or encourage" homosexuality. The Springfield Chamber of Commerce has reportedly received calls and letters from around the country from individuals promising to bring their business to Springfield because of it pro-prejudice stand. Please tell the Chamber you will avoid doing business in Springfield until the law is rescinded, and that you will encourage your family and friends to do the same.

Write to Springfield Chamber of Commerce, 101 South A Street, Springfield, OR, 97477. tel 503-746-1651.

Redbook

The May issue of Redbook magazine included a story called "My Two Moms." Written by San Francisco Examiner columnist Stephanie Salter, the article profiled Lea Militello and Debbie Hourigan, two Bay Area Lesbians, and their son Ryan. The story discussed the challenges and joys of being parents who happen to be lesbians, addressing discrimination against lesbian and gay couples in partnership benefits and custody rights, and the day to day problems of facing homophobic attitudes. The article pointed out that "despite evidence to the contrary from many psychological studies, people often still believe that having homosexual parents is a liability."

Praise Redbook's step out of the journalistic closet by writing to Ellen Levine, Editor-in-Chief, Redbook, 224 W. 57th Street, New York, NY 10019

One Life To Live

On June 18 the ABC soap opera One Life To Live launched a major storyline about a gay teenager and small-town homophobia. This is the first time a daytime drama has featured a story dealing with teen homosexuality.

On the June 18 episode, Billy Douglas came out to another boy and stated unequivocally that he is gay. Both boys work at a local community center where a crisis line call from another gay teen prompted homophobic comments from ignorant peers. The hatred and bigotry that lesbian and gay teens routinely experience was realistically portrayed.

While OLTL will not reveal the plots of upcoming episodes, a spokesperson for the soap promises that the storyline will continue at least through the summer and will "really heat up" in July. This is especially significant, since more teens are likely to be watching during these months. The plot will focus on malicious rumors about Billy and a local minister, rumors that tear the town into opposing camps.

Congratulate ABC for showing that there's more than one way to live a life. Encourage the show's producer to depict Billy interacting with lesbians and other gay people, including people of color, to more accurately reflect the diversity of our community. And since soaps typically center upon the romantic lives of characters perhaps Billy should be provided with a love interest!

Write to Linda Gottlieb, Executive Producer, OLTL, ABC-TV, 40 West 66th Street, New York, NY 10023

Two Of Us

On June 19, KQED broadcast a one-hour drama about two teenage boys whose friendship evolves into romance. The imported drama, Two Of Us, was filmed in 1986 as part of a British Broadcasting Corporation school series, though the original ending was censored in England. KQED broadcast the uncut version, in which the boys remain together at the end of the film.

Responses to the film have been mixed. Stories of young gay love are virtually non-existent on television, and the film was a welcome exception. On the other hand, the drama was somewhat remote from the experiences of lesbian and gay teens in the San Francisco Bay Area. Send your comments along to KQED, and remind the station that local and regular programming for and about lesbian, gay and bisexual youth should be a priority.

Write to Anthony Tiano, President, KQED-TV, 2601 Mariposa St., San Francisco, CA 94110; Tel. 415-864-2000.

American Home Products

American Home Products, whose subsidiaries make products like Advil, Anacin, Dimetapp, Dristan, Denorex, Chap Stick, Jiffy Pop and Chief Boyardee, wants to keep you invisible. GLAAD has learned that last season AHP pulled more advertisements from TV programs because of lesbian or gay storylines than any other corporation.

A partial list of programs from which list of programs from which AHP pulled commercials due to gay or lesbian characters or stories includes *Dear John, Golden Girls, L.A. Law, Nurses* and *Sisters*. AHP also canceled their ads on shows dealing with AIDS and containing references to condoms. Let them know that their actions in fighting lesbian/gay visibility are morally reprehensible and economically stupid. If you use any of their products (or plan to stop doing so,) let them know.

Write to Chairman John R. Stafford, American Home Products Corporation, 685 Third Ave, New York, NY 10017.

Time

The July 6 issue of *Time* magazine contains a good interview with Margarethe Cammermeyer, the decorated Army colonel recently forced out of the service simply for being a lesbian. Cammermeyer spoke eloquently about her love and commitment for this country and for the military, and of the human waste and suffering caused by the Pentagon's stupid and destructive policy. "If people in the heterosexual world could just open themselves up to be more understanding," she said, "they may find that the prejudice they have is based on irrational fear and is not grounded in reality...Homosexuals have the same human needs as anyone else. If you just allow people to be who they are, then there are no problems."

Support *Time* for giving fair treatment to this important issue by writing to Henry Muller, Managing Editor, *Time*, Time & Life Building, Rockefeller Center, New York NY, 10020.

K-Mart

After K-Mart broke ground by featuring a gay male couple in a Father's Day ad, the corporation is now trying to drive the men back into the closet. The ad featured two men examining a fire place display; when one proposed the other buy one for his father as a gift, the, the second responded "But my father doesn't have a fireplace." The first then countered "Well, we do," smiling and putting his arm around the other.

At first K-Mart simply thanked those who phoned to express appreciation for the ad. They soon began telling callers that the men were not meant to be gay, though they lived together. Now, K-Mart is not only denying the men were meant to be gay, but saying they do not live together, and that future ads will show the men with their wives!

The ad, designed to run prior to Father's day, is no longer running, but you can still let K-Mart know that you appreciated their airing what was clearly, to those who saw it, about a gay male couple.

Write to Joseph Antonini, Chairman, K-Mart Corporation, 3100 Big Beaver Road, Troy, MI 48084. Call toll free 1-800-635-6278.

Pacifica Library

For the second year in a row, the Pacifica Library hosted an exhibit for Gay & Lesbian History Month. Last year's exhibit drew intense criticism from homophobes, and a local minister even organized a demonstration. The library stood its ground and is offering a new display this year. You may visit the library and see the exhibit through the end of June. Support the actions of the library in serving the community by writing to Elizabeth Sor, Branch Manager, Pacifica Library, Palmetto and Hilton Way, Pacifica, CA 94044. ▼

Confront homophobia! Destroy heterosexism! Notify the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter, of all defamations, and if possible supply us with documentation. Call 415-861-4588 or write GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro St., Suite B, San Francisco, CA 94114.▼

San Francisco Gay/Lesbian Parade

Photo by Lou Camera

"A Simple Matter of Justice" was the theme for this year's parade and gay pride events everywhere. The theme is taken from slain San Francisco Supervisor Harvey Milk.

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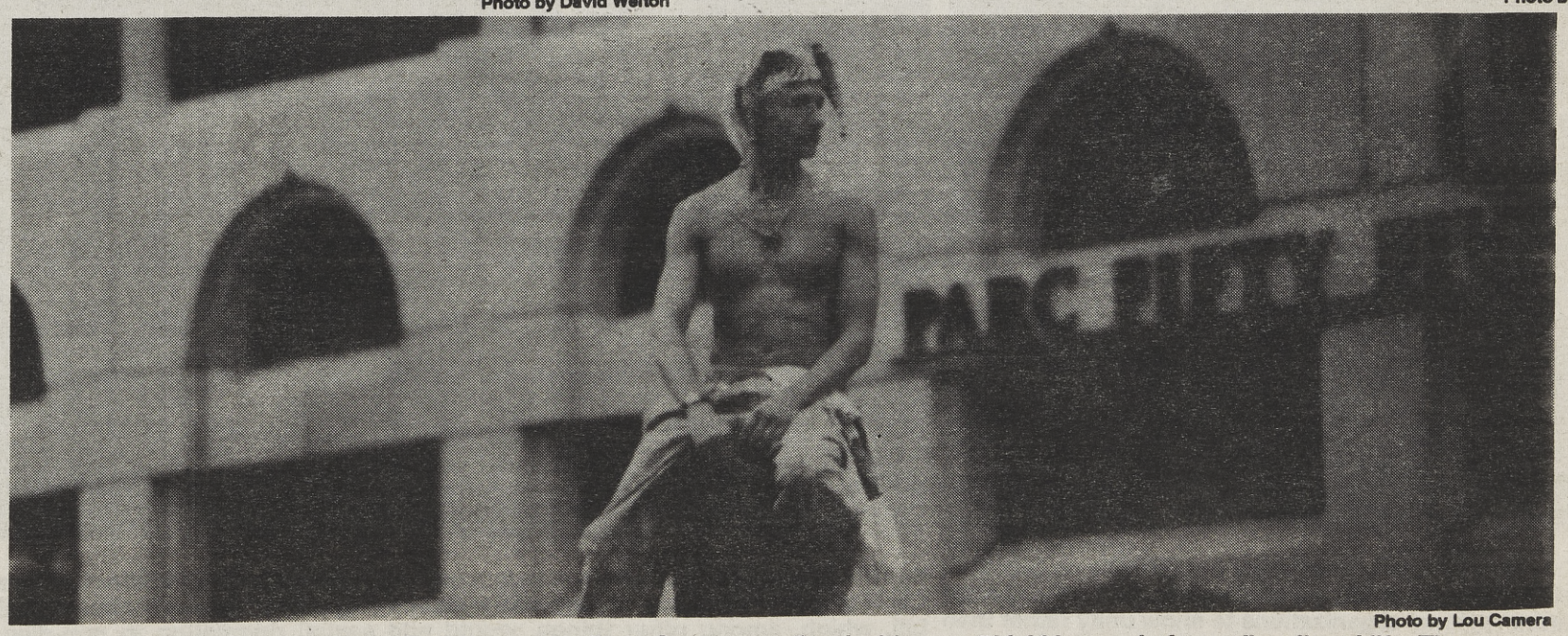

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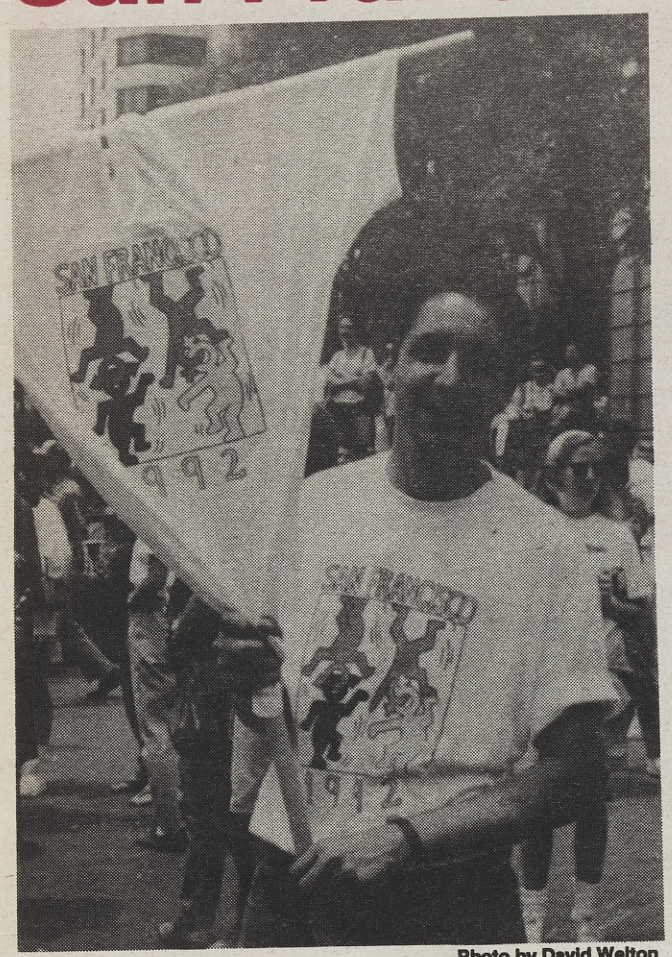
The parade route from the Ferry Building to the Civic Center was lined with over 500,000 people from all walks of life. There were wonderful standouts along the way, like this jester.

San Francisco's Shared Pride...



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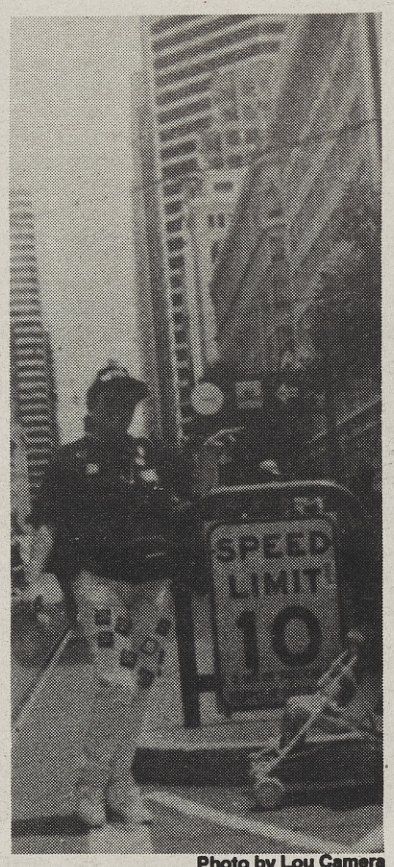

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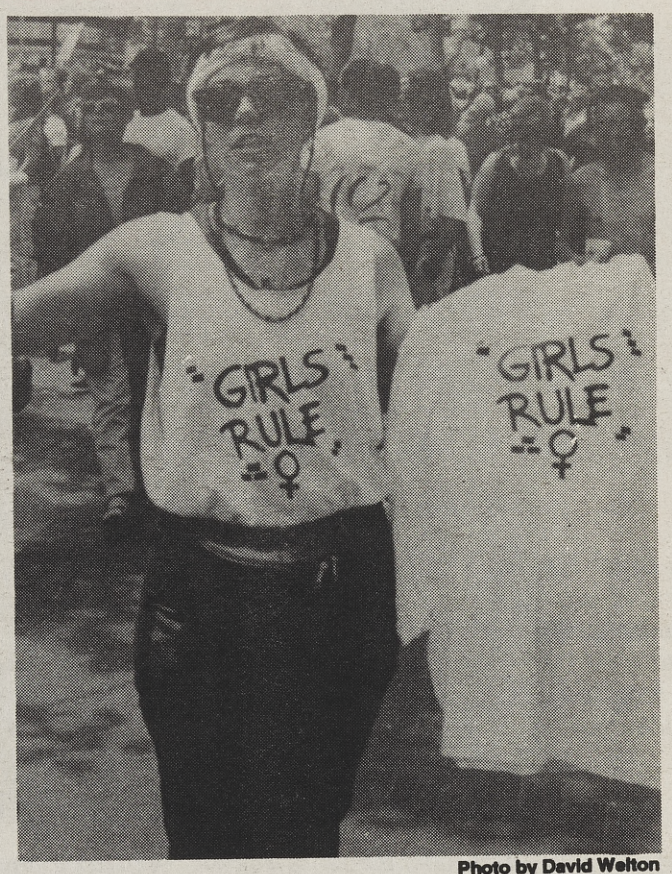
Local *March on Washington* leader, Nancy Nystrom, promoted the March during the parade. Nystrom and others were raising the much needed funds to insure the success of the April '93 event.



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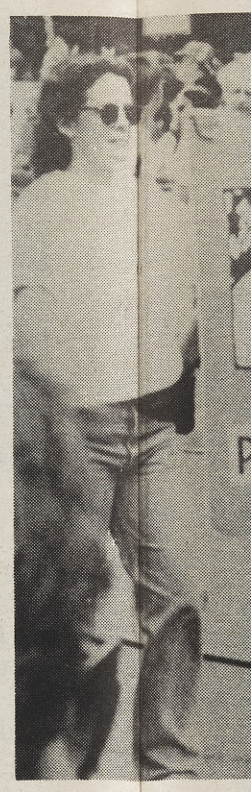

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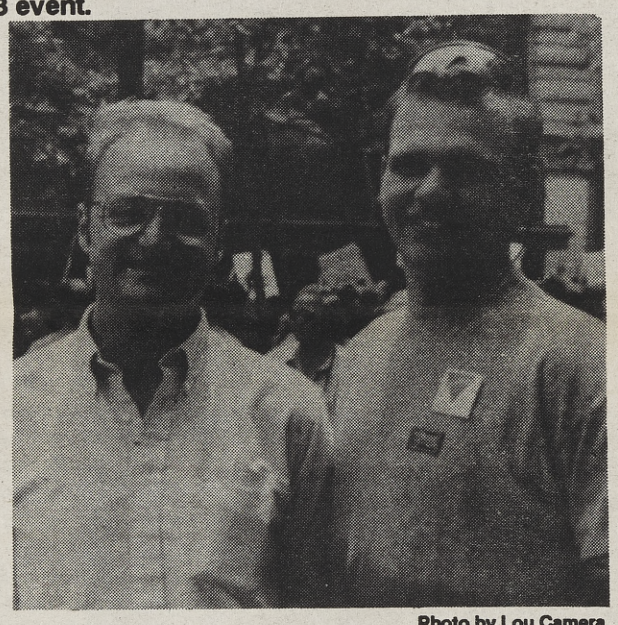
Delta Lambda Phi chapters from Sacramento and Davis joined with brothers from San Francisco and San Jose to represent the national social fraternity for progressive men.



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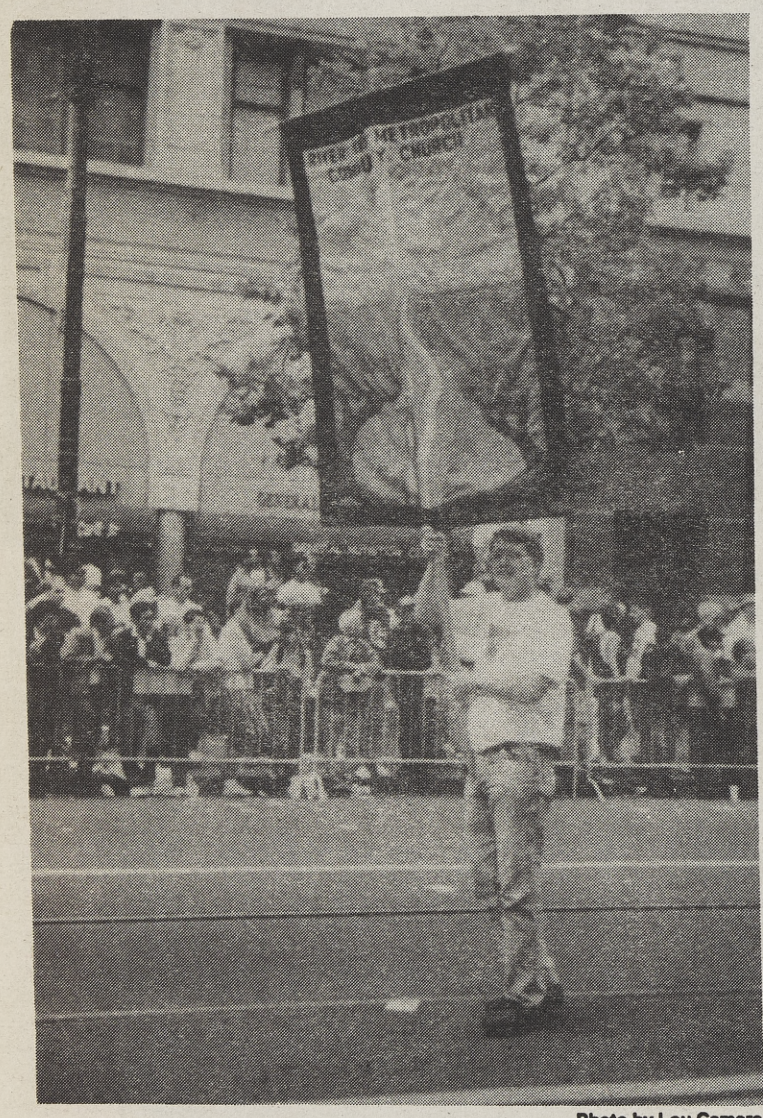
Sacto-area residents Warren Robinson and Phillip Duke



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River City Metropolitan Community Church was represented in the MCC contingent. Many Sacramento area groups joined with parent/regional organizations to show unity rather than march as a multi-faceted Sacramento contingent.

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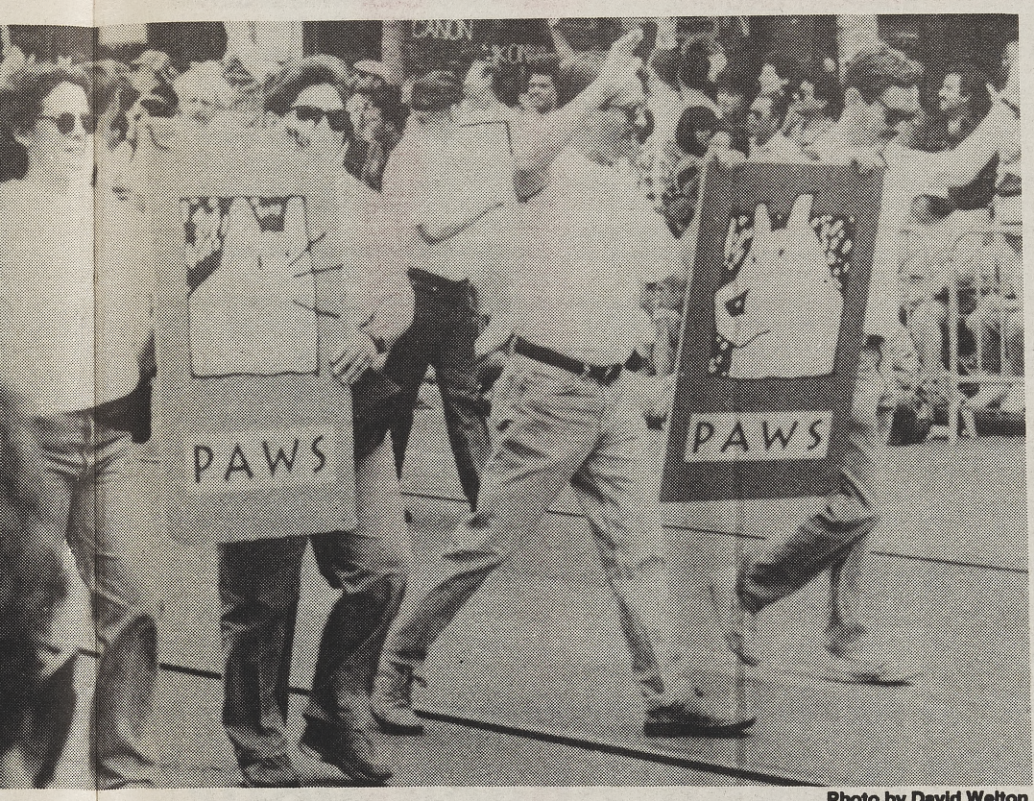
Assembly Speaker Willie Brown took a day off from budget negotiations to ride with San Francisco Supervi Carol Migden in support of gays and lesbians. Support of Brown's Assembly Bill 3825, an omnibus civil rig bill, which, among other things, would add sexual orientation in non-discrimination issues, was evid throughout the parade.



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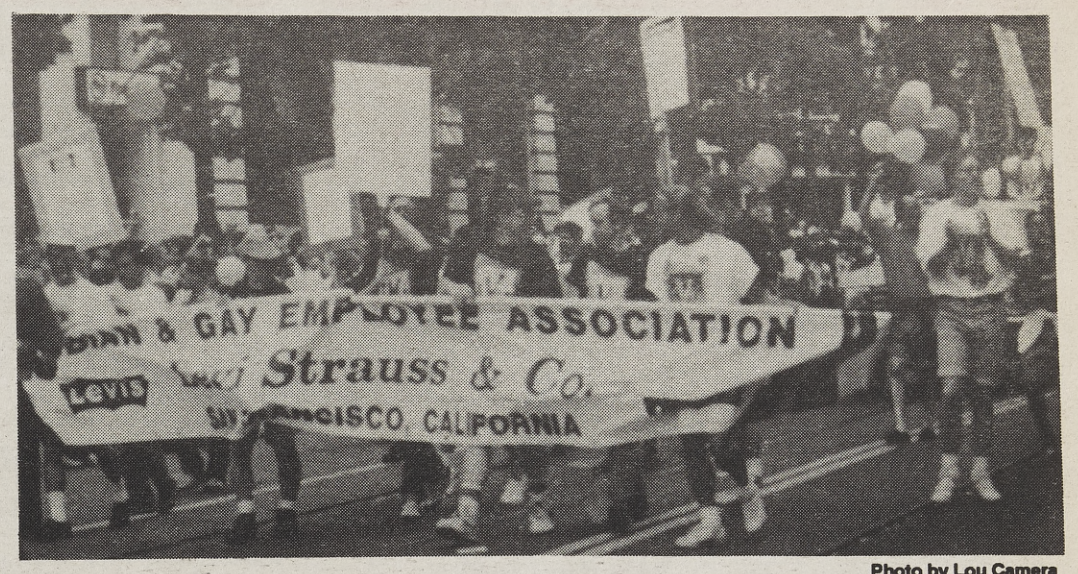

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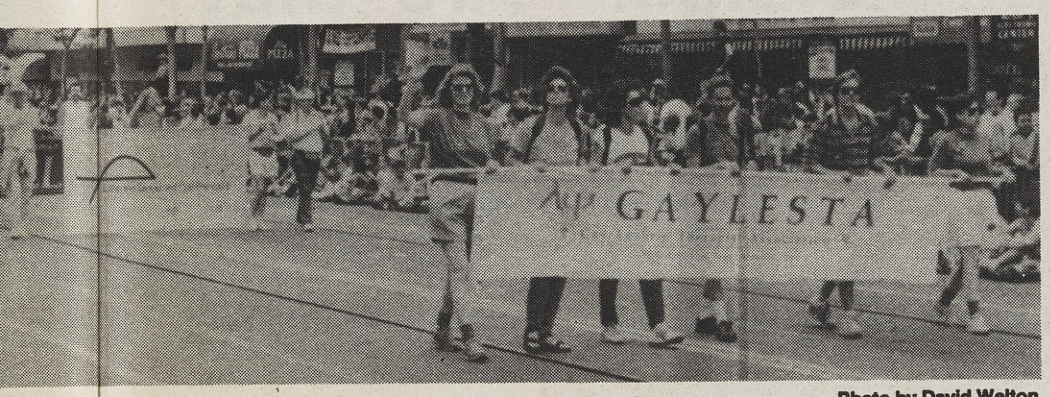
The greatest increase in new marching contingents came from employee groups, in addition to the Levi's group, groups representing gay and lesbians from Chevron, Hewlett-Packard, Apple, Pacific Gas and Kaiser, as well as police, sheriff and fire department contingents.



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The Gay Parenting Organization was out in force with their children and partners.

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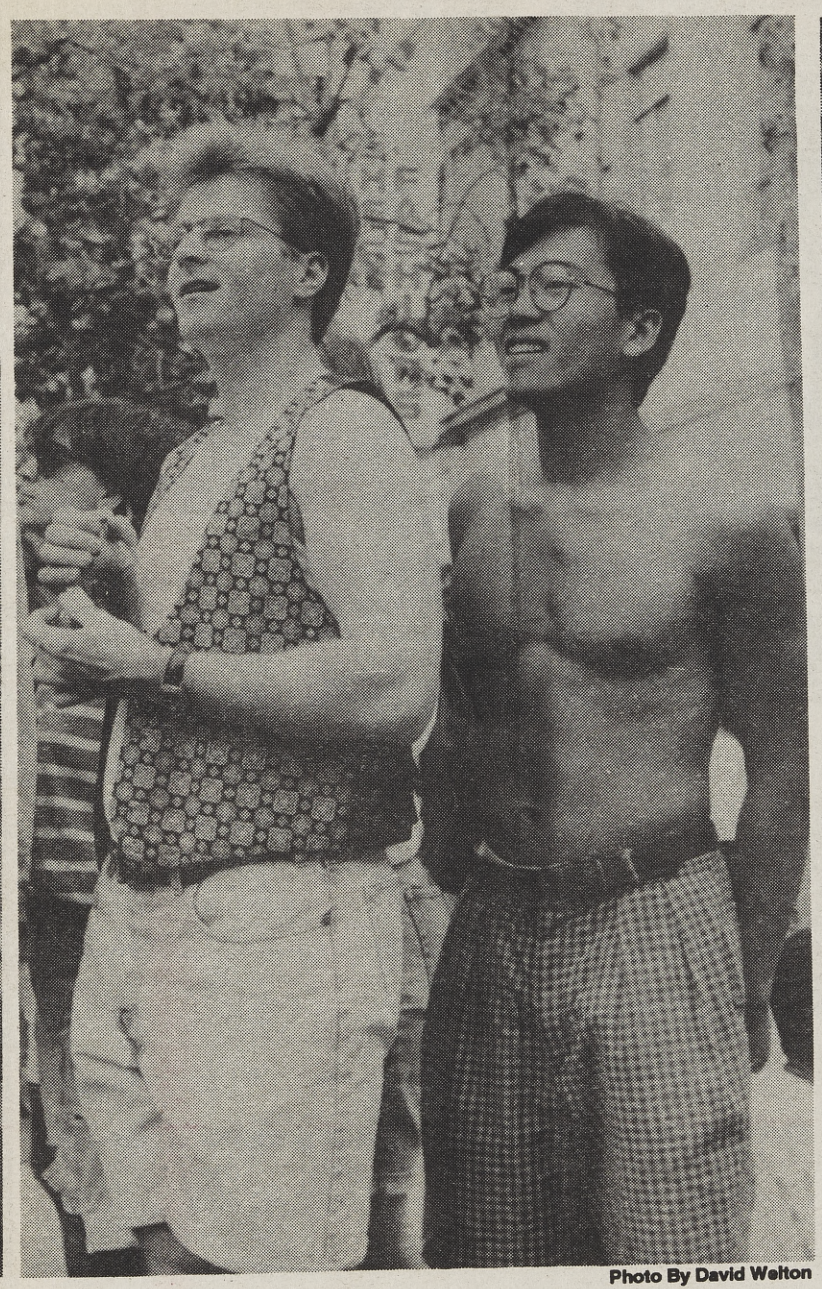

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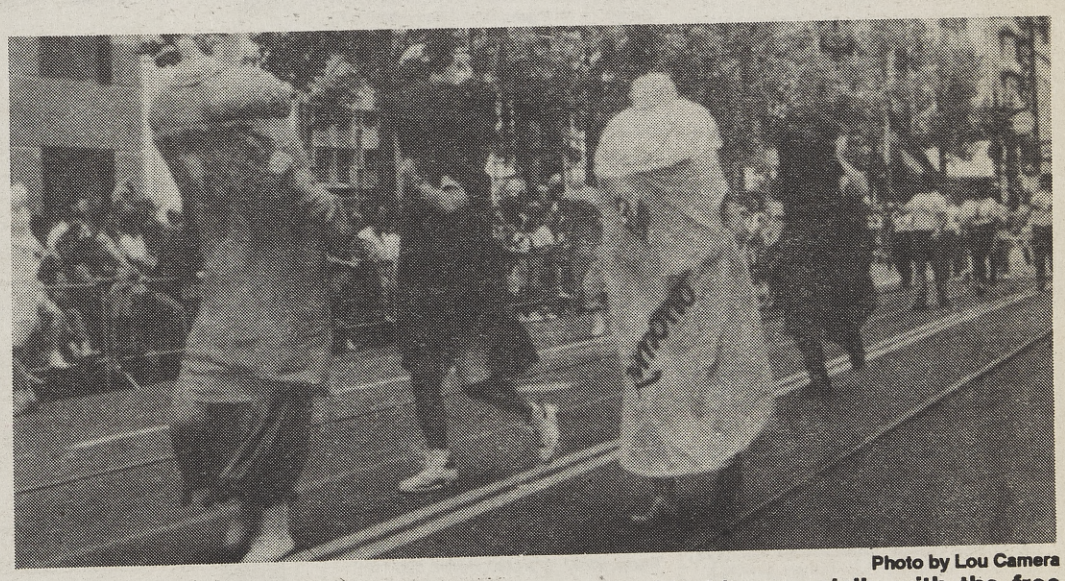
Gay Sierrans were one of the over 250 marching contingents in the parade of 10,000 marchers, all groups received enthusiastic support from the crowds along Market Street with the exception of the small NAMBLA contingent and the ACLU marchers with pro-NAMBLA placards.



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CO-DEPENDENTS OF ALCOHOLICS, Friends Comm. Church (Basement), 40th and E St., Mon., 8pm, 454-3135.

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NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS Lambda Center, 1931 L St. (Second Floor), Fri., 8pm.

OBESITY TREATMENT CTR., Seminar, Wed., 6pm, 925-0300.

SEX & LOVE ADDICTS ANON., St. Francis Church Social Hall, 26th & K, Thur., 7:30 - 9pm, 447-5328.

STOP SMOKING, CARES Clinic, 2710 Capital Ave., 443-3299.

THE EFFORT, Outpatient Counseling Clinic, 1820 J St., Mon. - Thu., 9am-8pm Fri., 9am-6pm, 444-6294.

COMPUTER GROUPS

ACROPOLIS, 967-5817, 24 F.O.

CAPITOL INFO. SER., BBS 443-7247.

LEATHER FIRST, BBS 974-1262, 362-4663.

PARTHENON, 428-9027, 24 S1.

PEGASUS, 444-3871, 24 S1.

VENUS, 967-9357 F.O.

AWOL, 961-2896 F.O.

CULTURAL GROUPS

DAVIS WOMENS READING CIRCLE, Christine, 758-2875, 4th Thu.

LATINOS ORGANIZED FOR CULTURAL AWARENESS IN SAC, 863-2518, x2171.

LOCAL ARTISTS FOR CHARITY EVENTS (LACE) Box 732, Akili Jaye, 442-3734 x732.

DISCRIMINATION

HUMAN RIGHTS COMM., 2131 Capitol Ave. #206, 95816, 4th Wed., 6:30pm City Hall, 444-6903.

EVENT GROUPS

LAMBDA FREEDOM FAIR COMM., 442-0185.

GAY CENTER

LAMBDA COMMUNITY CENTER, 1931 LSt., 95814, 442-0185.

HIV+ / AIDS

AIDS RESPONSE FOUNDATION, Franklin Kakies, 442-0185.

ANONYMOUS TESTING FOR HIV, Capitol Health Center, 1500 C St., Wed., Thurs., 8am - 5pm, 440-7720.

CARES, 2710 Capital Ave., 95816 443-3299.

CA OFFICE OF AIDS, Box 942732, 94234-7320, 445-0553.

CONFIDENTIAL TESTING AND DRUG TREATMENT, The Effort, 446-6467, 444-6294.

EL DORADO AIDS TASK FORCE Box 547, Placer., 95667, 4th Mon., 7pm, Security Bank Annex, Dick Wright, 916-676-4029.

THE POSITIVE GROUP HIV+ USER SUPPORT GROUP, Thu. 10am, 1820 J St., 444-6996.

RIVER CITY MCC CHURCH, 34th & Broadway, 454-4762.

FOOD EXCHANGE, 3rd Sat., 448-2437, 454-4762.

SAC AIDS FOUNDATION, 920 20th St., 2nd Fl., 448-AIDS.

SAN JOAQUIN AIDS FOUND., 4410 N. Pershing Ave. #C-4, Stockton 95207, 209-476-8533.

SELF HELP AIDS RESEARCH EDUCATION (SHARE), HIV Community Support Group Sponsored by Kaiser Hospital South Lambda Center, 1931 L St., 688-2755.

SIERRA AIDS COUNCIL Box 1062, Sonora 95370, 209-533-2873.

SIERRA FOOTHILL AIDS FOUND., 12183 Locksley Ln. #205, Auburn 95603, 916-889-AIDS.

THE OTHER GROUP (Heterosexuals with AIDS), 1813 O St., #6, 2nd, 4th Tue., 6:30pm, 447-5316.

YOLO HOSPICE, 132 E St #3E, Davis 95617, Box 1014, Davis 95616 Barbara 758-5566, 372-5863.

HIV+ SUPPORT GROUP, 1st & 3rd Wed, Beuhler Building, 29th & L St., 7:30pm.

HOBBIES

BARBARY COAST BOATING CLUB, Sac., Delta, San Francisco Bay, 408-448-1062, 916-972-9317.

VALLEY GIRLS CAR CLUB John Sturla, 381-0789.

HOTLINES

NAT'L AIDS / HIV HOTLINE, 800-342-AIDS.; HEARING IMPAIRED, 800-AIDS TTY; SPANISH AIDS / HIV+, 800-344-7432, SIDA.

CA. YOUTH CRISIS LINE, 800-843-5200.

DISCOVER SACRAMENTO HOTLINE, 264-5566.

SACORR HOTLINE, 763-7705.

MEDIA

BEING GAY TODAY, Cable Channel 18, Tue. 10pm, Thu. 9pm, Ron Hatch, 392-7025.

GLAAD, 514 Castro St. #B, S.F., 94114, 415-861-4588, 408-235-0229, 510-273-9146.

MCC MINISTRY, Cable Channel 17, Sun. 6:30pm, Mon. 1:30pm, Tue. 8:30am.

MGW NEWSPAPER 1725 L St., 95814, 9am - 5pm weekdays, 441-NEWS.

NANCY AT NITE, women's music, culture, issues. Cable radio KCBL 88.7, every other Mon., 10pm, 456-8600.

PARENTS / FAMILY

GAY FATHERS OF SAC., Box 163672, 95816, 2nd Sun., 456-3237.

LESBIAN MOTHERS GROUP, Sharon 457-5830, Julise, 455-5714.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF LESBIANS AND GAYS (P-FLAG), 2391 St Marks Way, Box 2163, W. Sac., 95691, 3rd Tue., 7:30pm Merrill Failensbee, 665-1050; Box 8003, Woodland 95695, 2nd Mon., 7:30pm, Woodland Pub. Lib., 668-1245.

PERFORMING ARTS

CAPITAL CITY SQUARE DANCE CLUB, Theodore Judah School, McKinley Blvd. nr. 39th St., Tue.,6:30pm, George, 447-2271.

SACRAMENTO MENS CHORUS, Box 188726, 95818-8726, Al Jensen,444-5213.

SACRAMENTO WOMENS CHORUS, Mon., 6:30pm, Gini, 424-4411.

POLITICIANS

ASSEMBLYMAN PHIL ISENBERG, 10th Dist., 1215 15th St., #102, 95814, Alison Harvey/Petrina Ioaiello, 324-4676.

ASSEMBLYMEN LLOYD CONNELLY, 6th Dist., 2705 K Street #6, 95814, Pat MacDonald 443-1183.

POLITICAL GROUPS

CALIFORNIA CAPITOL POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE (CAPPAC), 1008 10th St., #225, 95814, 1st Thu. 1329 H St., 6pm., 736-2722.

LOBBY FOR INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM AND EQUALITY (LIFE), 926 J St. #1020, 95814, 444-0424.

RIVER CITY DEMOCRATIC CLUB (RCDC) Box 161958, 95816 3rd Mon., 6:30pm Sierra 2 Ctr., 24th St. & 4th Ave., Katie, 451-1970, Mike, 448-2383.

PROFESSIONAL GROUPS

GAY/LESBIAN UNIV. OF CA. EMPLOYEES (GLUE), John Bennett, 762-5332.

RAINBOW REAL ESTATE CO., 1st Tue., 11:30am, Shakers, 921-6642.

SACRAMENTO TRADESWOMEN, 2nd Fri., 456-5555.

SACRAMENTO AREA GAY AND LESBIAN EDUCATORS, Box 2712, Elk Grove 95759, Norman Lorenz, 682-8948, Frank Lawler, 485-7960.

SACRAMENTO AREA CAREER WOMENS NETWORK (SACWN), 3rd Fri., 6:30pm, Linda Killick, 486-8985.

RELIGION/SPIRITUALITY

AFFIRMATION UNITED METHODIST FOR LESBIAN/GAY CONCERNS, St. Marks United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Marks Way, 1st Mon., 7pm, 489-2340.

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR REDEEMER, 4641 Marconi Ave., 95825. Sun., 10:15am, Pastor Todd Van Laningham, 483-5891.

CONFERENCE FOR CATHOLIC LESBIANS, Kathleen, 362-4133.

CONGREGATION SHA'AR ZAHAV, 220 Danvers St., S. F. 94114, 415-861-6932.

COVENANT OF UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST PAGANS (CUUP), Davis Unitarian Universalist Church, 27074 Patwin Road, Davis 95616, 2nd Sun., 7:30pm 758-7727.

DIGNITY AT ST FRANCIS CHAPEL, 26th and K St., Box 162765, 95816, 2nd, 4th Sun., 5pm, 552--1925.

FRIENDS MTG. OF SAC. (QUAKERS), 450 W. El Camino, nr. Northgate, Sun., 10am., 452-9317.

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RESTORATION CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST (RCJC), 2331 K St, Sun. School, 1:30PM; Sac. Mtg., 2:30pm, 444-8291.

RIVER CITY MCC, 3418 Broadway, Box 245125, 95824, Sun. 7am, 9am, 11am, 6pm, TV Ministry, Cable Channel 17, Sun. 6:30pm, Mon. 1:30pm, Tues. 8:30am.

SAC GAY/LESBIAN INTERFAITH COALITION, RCMCC, 1st Tue., 6pm, 452-1505.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO, 2424 Sierra Blvd, 95825, Sun., 11am, Rev. Young, 483-9283.

SOCIAL GROUPS

ALTERNATIVE CONNECTION FOR WOMEN IN THE VALLEY, 2nd, 3rd Tue., 7pm, Anderson Y, 209-941-2955.

BLACK MEN'S XCHANGE, 487-0439.

CGNIE, Box 160636, 95816 1st Tue., 447-0345, 927-9540.

EL DORADO WOMENS CENTER, 3133 Gilmore St., Placer. 95667, 626-1450, Hotline, 626-1191.

FACE THE MUSIC, KZFR 90.1 FM, Thu., 7:30pm.

FLAGS (FOOTHILL LESBIAN/GAY POTLUCK), Box 4982, Auburn 95604, 2nd Sat., 4th Wed.

FOOTHILLS ALTERNATIVE WOMENS NEWSLETTER (FAWN), 265-9312.

IF THE SHOE FITS (EL DORADO LESBIAN / GAY NETWORK), Box 2215, Pville., 95667, 622-7289.

LAVENDER ANGELS, Lambda Comm. Ctr., 1931 L St., 442-4741.

NUDE EXCHANGE (NTE), Box 1624, N. Highlands 95660.

PILLARS, 2nd Fri., 6:30pm, 331-3602.

SAC. AREA WOMEN'S NETWORK (SACWN), 3rd Fri., 6:30pm, Linda Kellick: 486-8985.

SACRAMENTO WOMENS CENTER, 2306 J St #200, 95816, 441-4207.

SACRAMENTO LEATHER ASSOC., Wreck Room, 1st Tue., 7pm, Calvin Lindberg, 447-3963.

SOLANO COUNTY GAY INFO. LINE (WOMEN PREFERRING WOMEN), Box 9, Vacaville 95696 Kathy, 707-448-1010.

WOMENS RAP GROUPS AND SOCIAL, Lambda Center, 1931 L St., 95814, Mon., 7pm, 381-5569.

YWCA, 1122 17th St., 95814, 442-4741.

SPORTS

CAMPING WOMEN, Box 13261, 95813, Gail, 689-9326, 662-0460.

GAY GAMES, Box 202, New York 10036, 212-732-3612, 718-857-1793.

GOLDEN STATE GAY RODEO ASSOC., Box 14398, S. F. 94114-0398, Hotline, 415-985-5200.

OUTDOORS ADVENTURES (OAS), Box 231113, 95823 1st Wed., 421-6209.

RIVER CITY BILLIARDS LEAGUE, Tue., 6:30pm, Ken, 372-9303.

RIVER CITY BOWLERS, Sun., 6pm, Lanpark Bowl, 5850 Freeport Blvd., Paul, 927-5431.

SACRAMENTO ARTS AND GAMES ASSOCIATION (SAGA), Lisa, 389-0975, Tom 635-1535.

SAGA, Net Rush-Tennis Group, Nancy, 481-9618.

SACRAMENTO HEATWAVES GAY/ LESBIAN SWIMMERS, David Lyons, 448-5965.

SAC. CITY RUGGERS (WOMEN), Tue. & Sat., Bambi: 923-9327.

VOLLEYBALL, Darrell Rice, 442-4641.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL, Kristie Hardy, 922-5338.

STUDENTS

BISEXUALS/GAYS\LESBIANS AT DAVIS, 753-4429.

CSUS WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER, 6000 J St., 95819, 278-7388.

DELTA LAMBDA PHI, CSUS, 278-6595.

GLAS, Stud. Act. Box 33, 6000 J St., 95819, 278-6595.

GAY/LESBIAN/BISEXUAL ACTION LEAGUE (GLOBAL), Stu. Act. Box 209, UC-D, Davis 95616.

GAY/LESBIAN CONSUMNES RIVER COLLEGE ASSOC., 689-7059, 682-1860.

GAYS AND LESBIANS AT ARC., Tues. 11am, 484-8340.

MENS COMING OUT GROUP, Lambda Comm. Ctr., 1931 L St., Mon., 5:30pm, 442-0185.

SUPPORT GROUPS

LESBIAN MOTHERS GROUP, Sharon 457-5830, Julise, 455-5714.

BROTHER TO BROTHER, African American Gay/Bisexual HIV + / ARCS or AIDS, Mon., 7 pm , 3501 Broadway, 454-0516, 441-0949.
FEMALE TO MALE TRANSSEXUAL, Box 661895, 95866, Jamie.

GAY FATHERS OF SACRAMENTO, Box 163672, 95816.

HIV+ / AIDS FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer, 4641 Marconi Ave., 1st & 3rd Thu., 7pm, 483-5691.

HIV+ LATINOS SUPPORT GROUP, 920 21st St., 95814, 6pm, Gloria Avalos, 448-2437.

HIV+ SUPPORT GROUP, 1st & 3rd Wed., Beuhler Bldg, 2800 L St. (29th St. Entrance), 448-AIDS.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARTNERS OF INCEST/MOLEST SURVIVORS, 1701 H St., Maureen, 722-4570.

MOTHERS ONLY, SAF, Francis: 646-6122.

PARENTS & FRIENDS OF LESBIANS & GAYS (P-FLAG), SAC: 3rd Tue, 7:30pm, 665-1050; CHICO: 3rd Sun., 1pm, 916-891-5718; VACAVILLE: 2nd Tue., 7:30pm, 707-437-4753; WOODLAND: 2nd Mon., 7:30, 668-1245.

PET LOSS CLINIC, UCD, M-F, 6:30pm - 9:30pm, Hotline, 752-4200.

RCMCC COUNSELING CTR., Dr. Hazel Fielding, 454-4762.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARTNERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS, 1900 22nd St., Mon. 6pm.

WOMEN WITH HIV+, SAF, 920 20th St., Thu., 12:15pm.

GAY MEN'S SUPPORT GP., Mon., 6:30pm, John Linder, ASW #221 (Intern to Kathryn Campbell, LCSW #10062), 446-3734.

WOMEN

WOMENS HEALTH LINE, Sutter Health Info. Center, 733-3000.

SACRAMENTO CAREER WOMENS NETWORK (SACWN) Linda Killick, 486-8985.

SACRAMENTO LESBIANS CREATING CHANGE (SLCC), Box 160532, 95816, 863-3020, Op. #1, MB #4.

SAC. WOMEN'S CENTER, 2306 J St. #200, 95816, 441-4207.

WOMEN'S HIV+ SUPPORT GROUP, 12:15pm, 448-2437.

YOUTH

GAY AREA YOUTH SWITCHBOARD, Box 846, S. F. 94101, 415-386-GAYS.

RIVER CITY MCC YOUTH GROUP, Box 245125, 95824, MCC Social Hall, 3418 Broadway, Wed., 7pm, 454-4762.

YOUTH GROUP Lambda Comm. Ctr, 1935 L St., Fri., 5:45pm, 442-0185.

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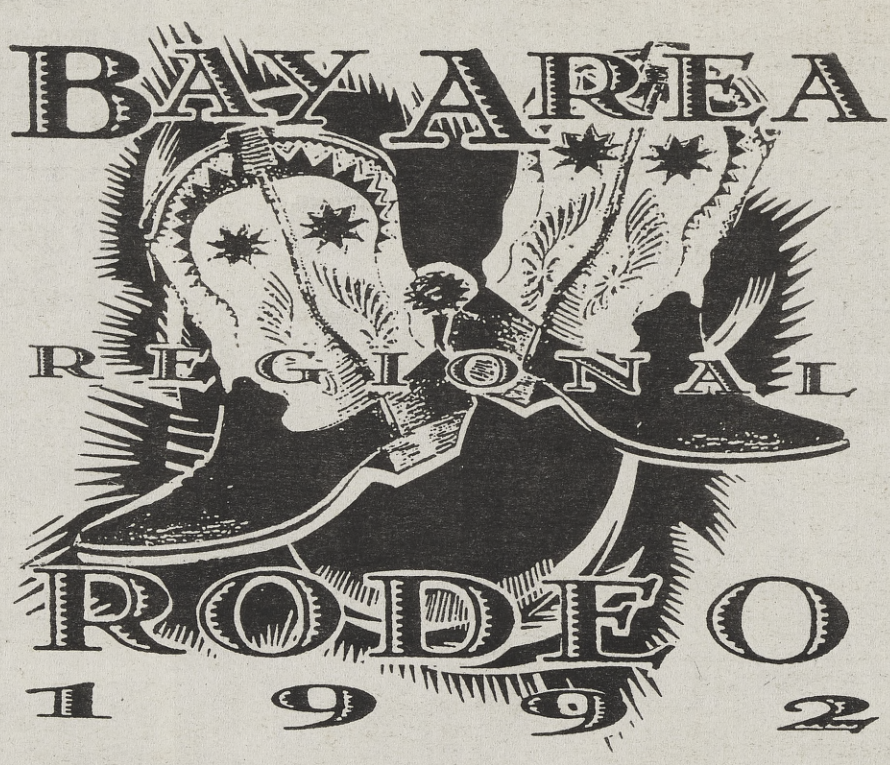

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Lesbian Etiquette

by Laura Enright
OF MGW STAFF

More Lesbian Etiquette, *by Gail Sausser. The Crossing Press, Freedom, Ca 95019 1990, 92 pages. $7.95.*

Gail Sausser, lesbian humorist extrodinaire is back with yet another collection of funny tidbits on Lesbian life in the 1990's.

Whether you have experienced the pains and hassles of breaking up or are dreading the moment of truth when you meet up with your lover's collection of pet's. Sausser's jabs with her humor barb will have you accepting you fate with a smile on your face.

More Lesbian Etiquette, a collection of humorous essays along with the ever comical cartoons by Alice Muhlback deals with such important topics as "The Dyke Bake-Off", "My First Night With A Dental Dam", "Fluffy's Revenge" and more.

Like her previous book, Gail Sausser's new book More Lesbian Etiquette is short on pages but is long on the giggles. Check it out today.▼

Lesbian Love Story

by Laura Enright
OF MGW STAFF

***Of Love and Glory,* by Evelyn Kennedy. The Naiad Press, Inc., P.O.Box 10543, Tallahassee, Fla 32302 1989, 181 pages $8.95.**

Of Love and Glory, a lesbian love story set during World War II. is dedicated to the three hundred and fifty thousand women who volunteered and served in the Armed Forces and particularly to the fifty-seven thousand Army nurses and seventeen thousand WACS who served during the war.

I love lesbian love stories but have found myself getting a little tired of modern day settings. With this in mind, I found myself reading a lovely book set during the early years of the 1940's smack dab in the middle of World War II.

I am very impressed by Evelyn Kennedy's heartfelt story of two women, a nurse and a journalist, caught in the middle of the reality of a very gruesome war, who are sill able to find true love amidst the agony and the suffering around them.

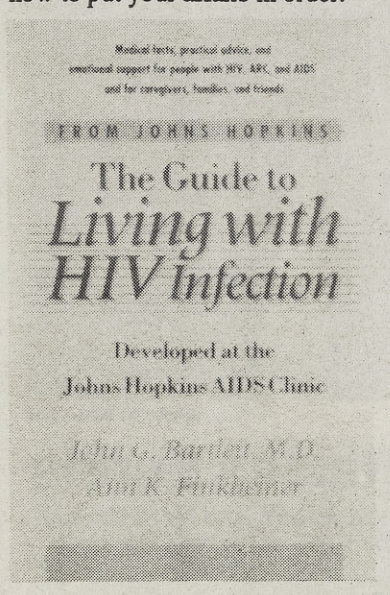
Of Love And Glory is a fast reading book that will have you feeling strong emotions long after finishing it. Here's a hint: you'll hate the husband.▼

Living with HIV...

by Kathy Mengle
OF MGW STAFF

***The Guide to Living with HIV Infection,* by John G. Bartlett, M.D., and Ann K. Finkbeiner; Baltimore: The John Hopkins University Press, 1991, $15.95 paperback.**

This presentation was developed at the John Hopkins AIDS Clinic and is intended to answer all the usual questions which someone with AIDS faces. For this reason ,it is also an excellent reference manual for families, friends and people in the helping professions. It provides relevant information on a wide range of subjects, and covers topics not normally seen, such as how often to see your dentist, patients' rights in hospitals, and how to put your affairs in order.



The subjects presented include: understanding and communicating when first diagnosed with HIV; preventing transmission; how HIV affects the body, the emotions and interpersonal relations; guidelines for medical care; the AIDS Dementia Complex, including information for caregivers; options for medical procedures; making legal, financial and medical decisions; preparing for and accepting death; and tactics for preserving mental health.

Also included are chapters on resources for getting help and understanding HIV tests. a 30-page glossary describes term, tests, procedures and medical conditions in understandable language. The Index is also well-done, making it easy to find information on a particular subject.

If you want to know, or need to know, how HIV impacts an individual's life, this is the first book to have. Highly recommended.▼

Dealing With Menopause

by Kathy Mengle
OF MGW STAFF

The Menopause Self-Help Book, by Susan M. Lark, M.D.; Berkeley, CA: Celestial Arts; 1990, 240 pages, $14.95, oversize paperback.

Over 50 million women are in the menopausal age group (ages 40 and up), and many experience disturbing symptoms before, during, and after menopause. Dr. Lark has found that nearly all of these symptoms can be prevented or relieved through dietary and other natural techniques.

Lark is Director of the Menopause and PMS Self Help Center in Los Altos, and has served on the faculty of Stanford University Medical School's Department of Family and Preventative Medicine.

This volume explains the health issues relating to menopause and then provides a workbook for evaluating symptoms. Hot flashes, insomnia, irritability, anxiety, and depression are only some of the problems women may face as their bodies and hormones change.

Much attention is paid to the basic diet which women should follow at any age. Principles of the diet are given, along with menus and a cookbook.

Subsequent chapters discuss Vitamins and minerals, as well as herbs, which are useful during menopause. Books and articles relating to these subjects are also listed.

Stress reduction is discussed at length, with suggestions for everything from counseling to restructuring your environment.

Relaxation techniques cover the use of breathing, muscle relaxation, meditation, and affirmation and visualization exercises. These are followed by directions for using water, sound, and light to enhance relaxation levels.

Exercise is useful to relieve or prevent many problems; guidelines tell how to increase your levels of exertion, and general flexibility exercises are given, along with illustrations.

Acupressure can be used to balance the body's energy pathways and to balance specific areas such as the reproductive tract; it can also relieve lower back pain and cramps, hot flashes, menopause symptoms, thyroid balances, bladder problems, nervous tension and insomnia, depression, headaches, tightness of the neck and shoulders, and hypoglycemia. It can also be used to promote healthy bones and to relieve breast problems and promote breast health. These are described and illustrated.

Yoga has also been found to promote health, and Lark gives a program designed to stretch every muscle and balance and energize the female reproductive tract and endocrine system.

Neurovascular and neurolymphatic holding points can also be used to relieve various symptoms. These are points on the body that you treat yourself, as needed, and instructions and illustrations are provided.

Lark, who believes strongly in patient education, includes a detailed explanation of Estrogen Replacement Therapy so that women can know its benefits and risks. It should not be used by women at high risk of breast or uterine cancer, those with liver or gall bladder disease, or women with depression, or those who have fibroid tumors of the uterus.

In addition to an Index, there is an Appendix listing publications, health organizations, activist publications and sources, spiritual publications and organizations, groups for mature women, and professional and recreational resources.

This is an excellent compilation of information which will be useful to all women approaching menopause. We can avoid the suffering of previous generations, and use the full energies of our middle and later years to be, and create, what we have come to understand and value. Highly recommended.▼

Houston Town

Reviewed by Elisabeth Pyle
OF MGW STAFF

***Houston Town,* Deborah Powell, Naiad Press, 1992, 201 pages, $8.95.**

Hard-boiled detective novels. The 1930's. The South. What true mystery fan doesn't love the smell of gun-powder, the rinky-tink sound of an old Ford engine. The lust. The grit. The grime. And, how nice, that it is a lesbian detecting the crime!

Hollis Carpenter talks of molls and gats and gams. This is a fine example of how the West was really won in the '30's with cops on the take, an Aimee Semple MacPherson sort scamming the poor folks and true blue women saving us all.

Fast and fun, Powell evokes the need in all of us to be tough and sincere and above reproach. Carpenter is the woman all mystery fans want to be. Houston is simply the setting. It could be Chicago, San Francisco or New Orleans. It's the seamy side of the city, where deals are cut and the winner is whoever is standing at the end. For those of us who want our heroines to continue, I'm glad that Hollis is there at the conclusion.▼

Dykes Out Together

We are a group of women who like to do activities such as hiking, camping, rafting and other outdoor events. If you are interested in participating, join us in an Ice Cream Potluck and Planning Meeting on Sunday, August 2. Call Diana at 487-3124 for directions and details.▼

Women's Rap On Hiatus

The Women's Rap and Social Group is on vacation until September 14. The group, which meets at the Lambda Center on Monday evenings from 7-9 p.m., will return with a whole new series of topic discussions, potlucks and other fun activities.▼

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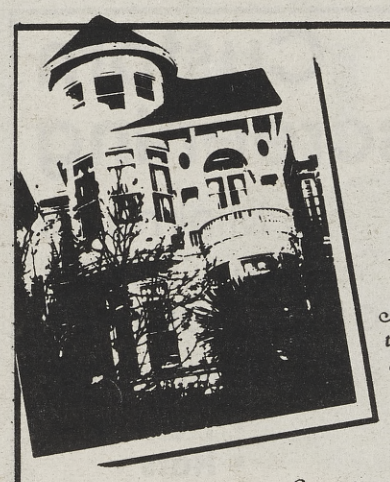
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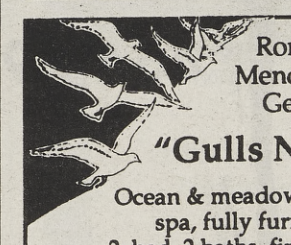
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Gay Pride Celebrated In Stockton

By Kathelen Johnson
OF MGW STAFF

"Our Night Out," Stockton's Gay Prom held at the Civic Auditorium on Friday night, June 12th, was the first event of a weekend celebrating the presence of gays and lesbians in the local population. Sponsor of the prom was the San Joaquin County Gay Community Alliance. The hall was festooned with pink and white balloons and a large pink cupid and throughout the evening a formal atmosphere prevailed. Even though less than fifty people attended, organizer Chris Shuldberg labeled the prom a success. The evening was undisturbed by protestors, although members of a Christian church leafletted the cars of prom attenders with flyers offering a cure for homosexuality. Discovering the ads after the dance did little to dampen the festive mood of the prom goers.

The following day, Saturday, June 13th, the Imperial San Joaquin Delta Empire sponsored the Gay Pride Festival and Fair on Knoles Lawn at the University of the Pacific. A ring of dozens of rainbow colored giant umbrellas beside game booths, food vendors, information tables, and a stage, encircled the festival area. Two gay owned food services, Cafe Riviera and Old World Caterer, provided sandwiches, burritos, and chicken.

Game booths sponsored by Imperial San Joaquin Delta Empire, Gay Association of the Pacific, and Gay Teens Together in Pride included a kissing booth, a pie throwing booth, and the most popular of all, a dunking booth.

In the center of the lawn families and friends picnicked, played with frisbees, and danced to the country music of Open Roads, a band from Sacramento.

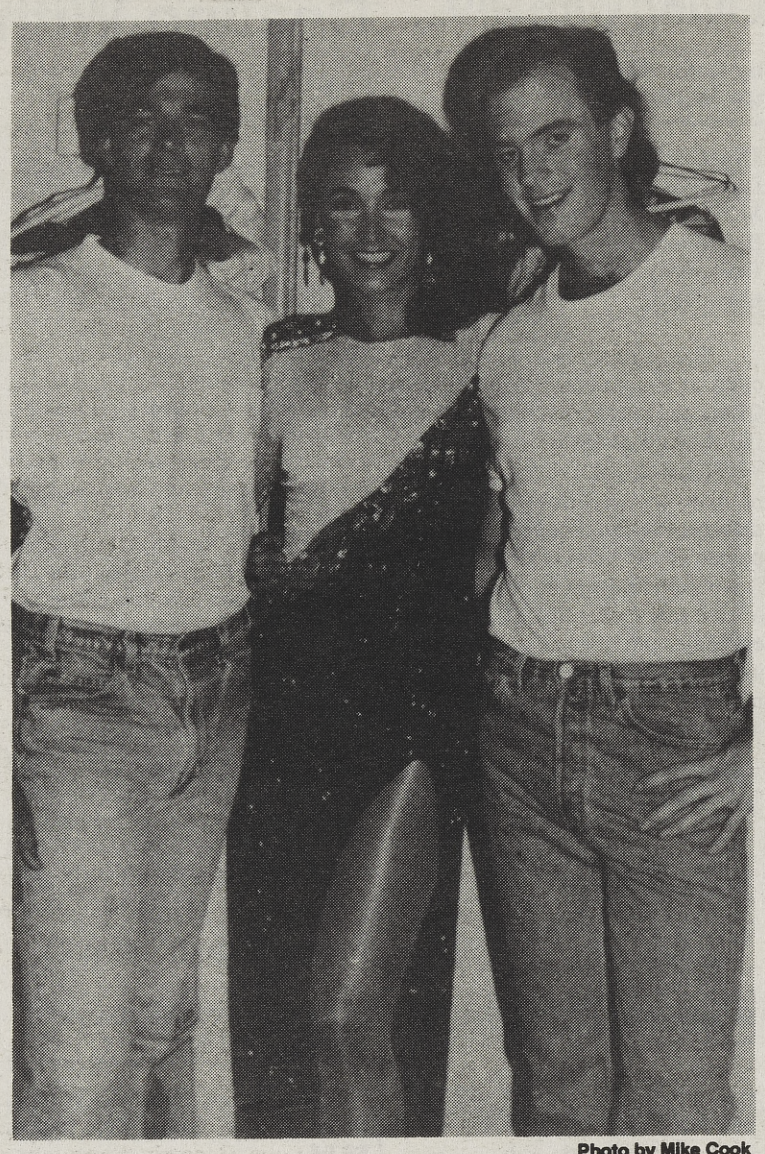
Table displays offered free information about the San Joaquin AIDS Foundation, Delta Harvest Metropolitan Community Church, and the Women's Center of San Joaquin County. When asked about his feelings about the event, Troy de Vore, one of many volunteers staffing the AIDS Foundation information table, said "It's on my t-shirt: If you're going to close your mind, close your mouth." Then he added, "I look for the day when (a fair such as this) is not necessary."

Sunday's Gay Pride March started at Delta College with rainbow colored flags held aloft leading the way. About 50 people started out, and by the time the parade of flags, banners, and posters reached the University of the Pacific, the marchers numbered over 110. As they walked on the sidewalk along Pacific Avenue, they saw protestors who carried posters saying "You need Jesus!" and calling out, "Go back in the closet! Save our kids!" But the protestors were outnumbered ten to one by supporters, people who stood in parking lots along the street cheering the marchers, giving the thumbs up and victory signs, as well as people who honked their horns, smiled, and waved as they drove along in traffic beside the Gay Pride Parade.

Following the march a reception in the President's Room at the University of the Pacific honored organizers and participants. Chris Shuldberg, Elaine Ablertson, and Troy de Vore thanked their lovers and applauded Greg McDonnell, Dr. Bob, the Stockton police, the University of the Pacific, and the Stockton city council who issued the Proclamation for Gay Pride Week.

Sunday evening a special celebration worship service was held at Delta Harvest Metropolitan Community Church. Reverend Kenneth C. Bland delivered a sermon entitled, "Cages Are for Canaries" in which he identified us all as eagles, not canaries. The choir sang special liberation hymns and songs, including one by Cris Williamson and "We Are a Gentle, Angry People" by Holly Near.

Planning for next year's Gay Pride Celebration in Stockton has already begun. For information call Elaine Albertson, (209) 951-6309.



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Town House Raises Funds

Dwayne Davis, entertainer Linda Snook, and Mark Savery at a Town House benefit for the AIDS Walk held on June 14.

International Gay/Lesbian Theater Festival in Phoenix

The 1993 International Gay/Lesbian Theatre Festival will be held in Phoenix, Arizona from May 28 thru June 6th, 1993.

Festival Chairman Dan Kryston has announced that over 35 theatre companies from around the world will be represented at the festival. "Besides the European companies we have groups from Canada and 18 states. Applications are still being received, and a final listing of participants will not be available until September."

The festival has been established to bring together gay, lesbian and kindred spirit theatre companies to showcase both original and published gay and lesbian works. "There will be something for everyone at the festival; drama, musicals, comedy, cabaret acts, performance artists, music and dance. Playwrights and directors will also conduct workshops and seminars on various topics. The response so far has been overwhelming and the enthusiasm from the theatre companies is very encouraging."

Aside from theatre events several social functions are also being planned. These include a costumed ball, a country bar-b-que, pool parties, balloon rides and more. The festival ends with Phoenix's pride rally and celebration.

The Berlitz Gallery Theatre will serve as the official host for the festival with the Buttes Mountain Top Resort as festival headquarters. Applications are still being accepted for presenters, performance artists and exhibitors wishing to take part in the festival. Interested groups or individuals are asked to write, Festival Committee, Berlitz Gallery Theatre, 1378 E. Butler Circle, Chandler, Arizona 85224 or call 602-899-9366.▼

Lesbian Educational Group Enlarges

The National Association of Women for Understanding (NAWU) is the largest lesbian educational organization in the world with chapters throughout Southern California and a new national chapter in Delaware.

NAWU was formerly known as SCWU, Southern California Women for Understanding, and was founded 16 years ago for the purpose of gathering together all lesbians to educate and promote social change. We are now reaching out everywhere to introduce ourselves and to pass on the energy and enthusiasm we share within our group to as many other organizations as possible.

All the members of NAWU share a commitment to enhance the quality of our lives, create a loving and nurturing environment, and to organize and participate in social and educational programs designed for lesbians from all walks of life.

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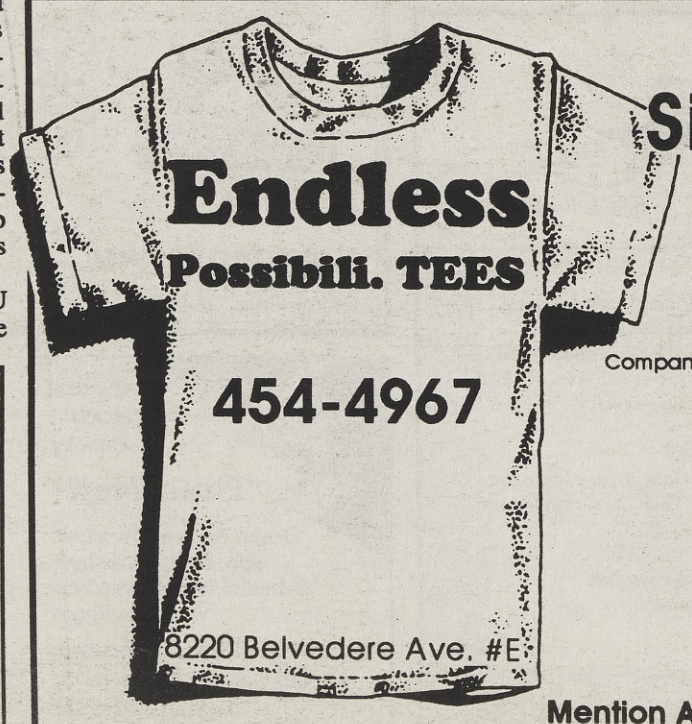
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"La Cage" On Ice to Support Local AIDS Charities

by James Fitzpatrick
OF MGW STAFF

On Saturday, July 25, at Iceland Ice Rink, local professional and amateur skaters will take to the ice in an AIDS fundraising event sponsored by C.G.N.I.E., a registered non-profit organization supporting various AIDS programs. According to organizer and 1980 U.S. Olympic team star J.P. Licari, this will be the first time anywhere that an ice show has been organized for the express purpose of raising funds for AIDS relief.

There will be two performances, at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m., each featuring two full hours of entertainment. Both shows will present ice skating adaptations of favorite Broadway musicals, ranging from *La Cage Aux Folles* and *Hot Leather* to *Starlight Express* and *A Chorus Line*, interpreted with both full production numbers and exquisite solos. Elaborate costuming and theatrical lighting will add extra splash to an already exciting program.

All participants in *La Cage On Ice*, from director to skaters and technical crew, are donating their time and skills to help ensure the success of this fundraiser. Tax-deductible tickets for both shows are $10 general admission, with table seating (limited availability) at $20, which includes hors d'oeuvres and beverages.

Tickets are available at Faces and Iceland Ice Rink.▼

Lesbian 'Masterpiece Theatre' Too Much for PBS

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

BOSTON—WGBH-TV, Boston's Public Broadcasting System affiliate and one of the leading PBS stations in the nation, has cut more than a half-hour from an upcoming "Masterpiece Theatre" production involving the lesbian relationship of British authors Vita Sackville-West and Violet Trefusis under pressure from PBS.

"Portraits of a Marriage," a joint production of WGBH and the British Broadcasting Corp., has already aired in Britain as a 4-hour miniseries with little controversy. But PBS insisted the WGBH produce an edited version with some 34 minutes of scenes involving nudity, graphic language and romance between the two women. The edited version is also being offered to PBS affiliates out of concern the unedited version may be too controversial.

Although WGBH insists the editing was done to make the film compatible with shorter U.S. timeslots, gay and lesbian activists have been quick to point out that the scenes edited out of the film all tend to minimize the lesbian relationship of the two women and have questioned the "selective editing" of the miniseries.

PBS has been under increased criticism from activists since its decision last year to pull two gay- and AIDS-related pieces - "Stop the Church" and "Son of Sam and Delilah" - from national distribution schedule.

A few PBS affiliates around the country are expected to air the unedited version of "Portraits of a Marriage," but activists believe most will opt for the "safer" edited version.

"Portraits of a Marriage" is based on the book by the same name written by Nigel Nicholson, the son of Sackville-West and her gay husband Harold Nicholson. It will be offered to PBS affiliates in mid-July.▼

▼ off the record

Reviewed by Nancy Flagg
OF MGW STAFF

Rites of Passage

***Rites of Passage*, Indigo Girls, Sony Music Entertainment, Inc./ Epic, 1992.**

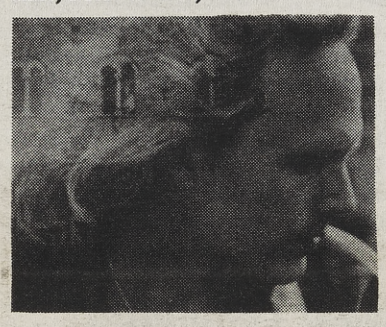
The latest Indigo Girls CD sticks fairly close to the style of their previous releases, strong harmonies and dynamic acoustic guitars. Amy Ray, one-half of the duo, displays her husky and compassionate voice. My one complaint is that I don't always understand her lyrics, but I was never very good at interpreting poetry anyway. It doesn't help that the lyric sheet enclosed with the CD excludes any punctuation marks that might aid understanding. What does it mean when she sings "one more life for the taker chickenman one more song for the maker chickenman"?

Emily Saliers, the other half, writes songs with a metaphysical dimension. In "Galileo" she ponders reincarnation and wonders if she is "serving time for mistakes made by another in another lifetime" and "how long til my soul gets it right can any human being ever reach that kind of light." Emily also shows her humorous side with a song about the fear of flying, "up on the airplane nearer my god to thee i start making a deal inspired by gravity if i did wrong i won't do it again."

The *Rites of Passage* features other artists on background vocals, including the Roche Sisters, David Crosby and Jackson Brown. The CD is sure to please fans of the Indigo Girls and will very likely convert others to the fan club.▼

Return To The Heart

***Return To The Heart*, by David Lanz, 1991, Narada Productions, Inc., Milwaukee, WI.**



I enjoyed this one so much that I'm going to get my own copy of it. I've always found piano solos to be restful, and this one is no exception.

To find new inspiration for Return To The Heart, David traveled to Europe where he recorded his music at different sites, such as at a church in Holland and an opera house in Italy.

Many of the tracks are piano versions of previous recordings which were originally arranged with orchestra or ensemble. Other tracks are pure improvisations.

The notes on the inside cover are especially illuminating; they provide descriptions of the recording locale and the inspiration each locale yielded.

Enough talk, it's time for me to unwind with music made "in the spaces between the life all around."▼

Nothing Holds Me Closer

***Nothing Holds Me Closer*, Ana G., Saga Records, Sacramento, 1990.**

A pleasant treat awaits the listener of *Nothing Holds Me Closer*. Ana G. is a local talent whose music leans toward to dance/pop style, but her strongest numbers are her ballads. One of her ballads, *Over Me*, is an emotional piece that tugs at the heart of anyone who has ever loved and lost. Ana's *Betcha By Golly Wow* is better than the original and features Henry Robinett on guitar and Joe Gilman on piano. In the title song *Nothing Holds Me Closer*, Ana could easily be mistaken for Paula Abdul in both style and sound. *Turn It Up* is unfortunately representative of several of the album's pop/dance tunes in that it sounds like a million others of this genre. Despite a few

Ana G. of Sacramento

weak moments, this recording packs plenty of powerful energy and emotion.

Tame Yourself

***Tame Yourself*, Various Artists, Rhino Records, Inc., 1991.**

This tape should have a huge warning label on the package that reads "Not for the Sensitive or Faint of Heart" because the lyrics are much too harsh for a typical listener. Proceeds from the tape sales benefit the People for Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA), so you would naturally assume that animal lovers would be the primary purchasers. I don't believe that people who care about animals want to tap their feet and sing along with lyrics such as "lab cats, lab rats, in pain they squeal" or the graphic "what do you think a monkey feels when his brain is split by cold hard steel?"

Other people may buy the tape because it features big name artists, such as the Indigo Girls, k.d. lang, the Pretenders and the B52s; however, the songs are not the best work of these artists. For example, the B52s cut called "Quiche Lorraine" has some incredibly inane lyrics: "Every day I take her out, yeah! She runs around, she shouts and barks, yeah! But she's a good doggie."

I have to admit that I feel guilty for panning *Tame Yourself* because it was produced with good intentions: to remind us that we need to protect animals (mostly from ourselves), but I think that those who want to further animal rights should write out checks directly to the charitable organization of their choice rather than spend money on this tape.▼

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Sexual Orientation Employment Discrimination: Know Your Rights

by Eileen Gillis
of MGW Staff

Although so far the gay community has been unsuccessful in extending the protection of the California Fair Employment and Housing Act to sexual orientation employment discrimination, *considerable protection already exists under the State Labor Code.* Claims can be filed with the State Labor Commissioner's office in Sacramento.

...but didn't Wilson recently veto this protection?

Since the Governor's veto of the expanded state anti-discrimination law, the State Labor Commissioner's Office has geared up to regularly accept and prosecute sexual orientation employment discrimination claims. As you might remember, Wilson vetoed the legislation, among other reasons, because he thought sufficient legal protections already were in place. Well, the Labor Commissioner's Office took seriously certain existing provisions of the State Labor Code which a few courts have held protect gay people as employees.

...what protections exist?

Labor Code Sections 1101 and 1102 protect California workers from employment discrimination for their individual political activities or affiliations. In 1979 the California Supreme Court held that *the struggle of the gay community for equal rights in employment merits recognitions as a "political activity" against which discrimination is prohibited* by provisions of the California Labor Code. "Political activities or affiliations" may be construed to mean individual identification as a gay man or lesbian, and not just general political activism.

If your employer fires, threatens, harasses or otherwise coerces you because of your sexual orientation, IMMEDIATELY FILE A DISCRIMINATION CLAIM WITH THE STATE LABOR COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE!

...when?

You *must* file *within thirty (30) days after the occurrence* which you claim is a violation of the anti-discrimination protections of Sections 1101 and 1102. If you show good cause why you could not file within that timeline, the Labor Commissioner's Office has discretion to extend the 30 days. Apply immediately rather than taking that chance.

...where?

The Sacramento Office of the State Labor Commissioner is located at 2424 Arden Way, Suite 360. The phone number is 920-6116 but it is extremely difficult to get through. Go in person to the reception counter in Suite 360 and say you want to file a complaint of discrimination based on sexual orientation.

...what do you say?

You must be prepared to support your complaint with very specific facts. What is the complete name of your place of employment, its address and phone number, your employer's full name, your supervisor's full name if that is relevant? What is the title of your position, your date of hire or promotion.

Exactly what adverse action(s) has your employer taken against you which violate the Labor Code anti-discrimination prohibition? On what date(s)? time(s)? place(s)?

Why do you think the action was taken against you because of your sexual orientation, and not for some other reason? What facts can you give to support your belief? Did your employer say something about it? on what dates? did anyone else hear it? Has your employer treated you differently than other employees who are similarly situated to you except for their sexual orientation?

Do you have a witness or witnesses to the discriminatory action or treatment? What is his/her/their full names? Have you talked to them and asked if they would be willing to at least speak to an investigator from the Labor Commissioner's Office? Do you have their phone numbers?

...how long does it take?

Within *sixty (60)* days after the filing of the employee's complaint, the Labor Commissioner must notify the complaint and employer of investigation's result and determination. If Labor Commissioner staff determine that a violation of Sections 1101-1102 has occurred, they will direct the employer to cease and desist and to take whatever action is necessary to remedy the violation. Remedies may include, where appropriate, rehiring or reinstatement of the employee, reimbursement of lost wages and interest, and payment of attorneys' fees incurred in any Labor Commissioner hearing.

If the Commissioner's staff determines that a violation did not occur, the employee/complainant and the employer are so notified and the complaint is dismissed.

Either the employer or employee may appeal the Commissioner's decision to the Director of the State Department of Industrial Relations within *ten (10)* days after notification of the Labor Commissioner's determination. If the employer does not comply with a final determination which goes against the employer, the Labor Commissioner can take him/her to court to compel compliance.

...what happens to your complaint?

The Labor Commissioner's Office will receive, investigate and pursue your claim of discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation/political activity *free of charge.* The Commissioner assigns an investigator who may contact and interview witnesses, review documents, etc, before forwarding a report to other Labor Commissioner staff. An investigative hearing may be scheduled if considered necessary to establish the facts.

...what can I lose?

If the Labor Commissioner finds that a complaint files was frivolous, unreasonable, groundless, or brought in bad faith, the complainant/employee may be directed to pay the employer's attorneys' fees spent in defending against the complaint.

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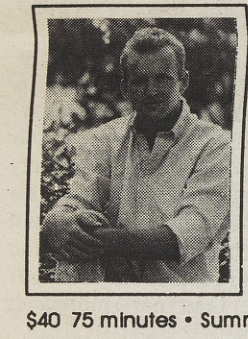
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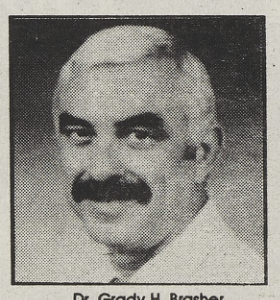
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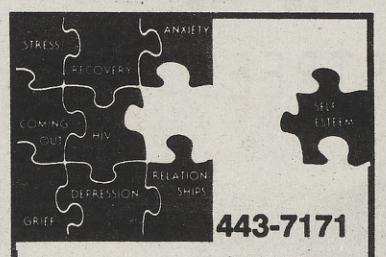

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▼ pet talk

Backyard Dog

by Joan Guertin
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One of the questions I'm most frequently asked is, "What is the hardest dog to train?" Most people expect me to answer by naming a breed; probably the breed they own and seem to be having trouble with. Years ago I would have gone into a lengthy dissertation regarding the mental abilities of the various groups, i.e., sporting, working, herding, terrier, non-sporting. Today, after dealing with thousands of dogs since the mid-fifties, I have come to the conclusion that the most difficult dog to train is the dog that has been relegated to the backyard with little or no attention. That, of course, can be any breed!

There's nothing wrong with the family pet learning to spend time alone in the backyard. Fresh air is great for both kids and dogs. However, the dog that I'm talking about is the one that *lives* in the backyard, is never allowed in the house, and seldom gets more attention than that required at feeding time. This dog seldom or never gets brushed. He never enjoys the sound of human voices. He may even be chained to a dog house or a stake in the yard. He's the family "watch dog." If he barks, they assume that he is doing "his job." He's the dog that was bought or given at Christmas as a really darling puppy, but two weeks later when he piddled or messed in the house, got tossed out. Somewhere around six months or maybe a bit older, the family decided that it was time to take him to training classes. The class registration reads that the dog is stubborn and dumb. The family really believes that the dog can't be trained, and they have let the pup know just how they feel.

The sad fact is that a great many of these dogs will spend their time in class, then go home to more with the family, enjoys a nice balance of time spent alone in the yard and family time, is a pup that will develop a large vocabulary. He will be privy to every conversation around him, and he will pick up on cues such as the opening of the refrigerator and the rewards that may follow or the rattle of keys are the use of the word "go" in relation to a walk or ride. I have been awed at the number of words that my dogs know and respond to. CCI dogs (Canine Companions for Independence), dogs trained as service dogs for the handicapped, will know 80 to 100 commands by the time they have completed their advanced training, which ought to be encouraging to families who would be thrilled if their dog knew of the same sort of treatment. A few will actually be worked by their owners and they will become good canine citizens and will even earn some house privileges. The majority, however, are doomed to spend their days isolated in the yard.

Dogs are pack animals, which simply means that, like humans, they enjoy the company of others in a social structure. Dogs have earned the reputation of "man's best friend" because of their uncanny ability to sense our needs and to respond. Dogs will either seek out their own kind to pack with or they will bond with a human pack. Dogs are not meant to be solitary. A cat does very well in that role, but a dog will become frustrated. A jumping, digging, barking dog is manifesting habits born out of frustration and can be modified through training and attention.

There is no such thing as a dumb or stupid dog. It is true that some dogs are brighter and quicker than others, but a great deal of that is also contingent on how much attention the dog is getting. The puppy that is raised in the house and responded to a half dozen basic obedience commands.

In families when the children and well-disciplined and understand the meaning of the word "no", you will find the family dog is often just as well disciplined. He learns from interaction with the family. In families where the adults scream at the kids, they find that the only way to control the dog is to yell at him, too. Dogs are great mimics. I can do a great deal of training on a dog just by working another dog around it and letting the other dog watch. Years ago I had a four month old German Shepherd pup who cried and fussed the entire time I would have her mama out working her. I kept telling her that she was too young, but she persisted, and finally out of frustration I put a leash on her and took her out and sure enough, she worked like a champ. She had learned all of the obedience routines by watching me work mom.

If you have an outdoor dog who can't come in because he is out of control, a simple trick is to bring him in on a leash and collar and teach him manners. A loose dog can go anywhere he wants; a dog on a leash can only go where you want him to go. Short visits in the house on a leash, learning where he is to sit or lie down, maybe a special rug or blanket in a corner, and soon you have a dog that can have longer house privileges because he has been shown the proper way to behave.

Talk to your dog and reward him when he does something that pleases you, and soon you have a dog that does those things over and over just so he can be rewarded. So, before you label your dog dumb, think about just how much time you may be spending with him and just how much effort you have put into developing his vocabulary and manners. ▼

HIV Newsline

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that's reputed to be simple and inexpensive to manufacture. Burroughs Wellcome, for instance, the manufacturer of high-priced AZT, has conducted major drug combination studies and recently donated another $1 million to community-based research. In announcing this recent donation, Burroughs-Wellcome acknowledged that the gift "was prompted by an initiative spearheaded by individuals within ACT UP."

KS Route of Transmission Identified?

A five-year study of 65 gay and bi-sexual men in Oxford, England, has concluded that fecal-oral contact (rimming) may be the main route of transmission of Kaposi's sarcoma. It also found that men with KS were more sexually active and more likely to engage in other activities, such as fisting, that placed them in contact with feces. Because KS is ten times more prevalent in gay and bi-sexual men than any other group, the study (recently published in Lancet) was conducted to determine if any particular actions exposed them to some agent that causes KS. The use of poppers (nitrate inhalers) was ruled out, as well as other exposures and actions, and the study found that 18 percent of men who *never* practiced rimming developed KS. This number jumped, however, to 50 percent for people who practiced this behavior less than once a month, and to 73 percent for those who practiced it between once a week and once a month.

Beware of Mixing Drugs

The Food and Drug Administration recently warned that a prescription antihistamine called Seldane can cause life-threatening abnormal heartbeats and "must be avoided" by people with liver disease or who are taking drugs such as Nizoral (ketoconazole) or the antibiotic erythromycin. Seldane is prescribed for people with seasonal allergies. Two years ago, a letter was sent to physicians warning of possible risks, but this new warning is much stronger.

Top Clinton Aide Diagnosed with AIDS

When presidential candidate Bill Clinton's top environmental advisor told him early this month that he had just been diagnosed with AIDS, Clinton invited him to give a prime-time address on AIDS to the nation at the Democratic National Convention July 14. Bob Hattoy of Los Angeles has been a director of the Sierra Club for the past decade, but took leave this year to work for Clinton's campaign. He has been told he can say whatever he wants during his four-minute timeslot.▼

Lavender Lawyer's Conference Set for Oct. 23-25, 1992 in Chicago

The National Lesbian and Gay Law Association announced that Lavender Law III, the bi-annual conference dedicated to lesbian, gay and AIDS legal issues will be held in Chicago, IL, on October 23-25. This conference is dedicated to educating lawyers, legal workers and law students in areas of concern to the lesbian and gay community. This year's seminars, speakers and round tables will cover: Lawyer Activism, Gays in the Military, AIDS Law, Creating Families, Sodomy Law Reform, Human Rights Laws, Criminal Justice, Bias Crimes, Marriage and Domestic Partnerships, Insurance and Entitlements, Criminal Justice, Employment and Housing Discrimination, Americans with Disabilities Act, and Sexual Orientation and International Law.

The conference site will be in the Mart Plaza Hotel, one of the city's newest hotels, with an indoor heated pool, exercise room and access to the jogging and walking paths along Lake Michigan. Lavender Law III plans to be a "family affair", with entertainment for both children and adults.

The NLGLA is the only national bar association focused on the rights of lesbians and gay men and on the welfare of lesbian and gay legal professionals. For information: Lavender Law III, Box 77130 National Capitol Station, Washington, D.C. 20013, or 202-389-0161.▼

Know Your Rights

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...can I do all this myself?

Yes, you can absolutely do this yourself. By law the Labor Commissioner is supposed to represent workers against violations of the State Labor Code.

If you nonetheless want outside assistance, representation or legal advice, call for a consultation with attorneys Carolyn Langenkamp or Maggie Geddes as the law firm of Metrailer & Langenkamp. The charge for a one-hour consultation on evaluating or assisting with a possible sexual orientation discrimination claim is $125 per hour.

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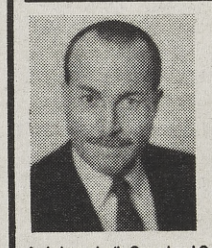

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▼ calendar

JULY

▼ 15 - Wednesday

Men of All Colors Together Lambda Community Center 6:30pm.

▼ 16 - Thursday

ACT UP Mtg., 8pm, 863-3025.

▼ 17 - Friday

Camping Women, Willows Retreat in Napa Valley, 689-9326 or 638-4749.

Gaylaxicon IV, A Sci-Fi/Fantasy/Horror Convention, Guest Quarters Suite Hotel, Philadelphia, PA, thru Jul. 19, Gaylaxicon IV, P.O. Box 656, Washington, DC 20044.

SLCC Nite, "How to Care for Your Breasts ", 7pm, 687-7282.

SACWN Meeting, 6:30pm, 486-8985.

Central Library Grand Opening, 9th & I Sts., 11am.

Summer Salon Sale, Himovitz Miller Gallery, 550 Pavillions Ln., thru Jul. 19, 925-5917.

"New Directions for New Jewish Agenda", 2799 Donner Way, 6:30pm.

▼ 18 - Saturday

Gay & Lesbian UC Employees (GLUE), 762-5332.

Common Sense Dog Training, 6424 Sutter Ave., 8am, 485-2201.

The Great SAC Crystal Fair, Holidome/Holiday Inn, 10am, thru July 19, 415-383-7837.

14th Annual Mateel Women's Music Festival, Briceland, 1pm, 707-923-2873.

PAWS Animal Sanctuary Open House, Galt, 4pm, 916-393-3340.

▼ 20 - Monday

Nourishing the Tree of Life, UMC for Gay & Lesbian Concerns, St. Mark's UMC, 2391 St. Mark's Way, 7pm, 489-2340.

S.A.G.A. IV Skate Party, 8:30pm, 455-0986.

R.C.D.C. Meeting, "Domestic Partnership/ Family Diversity", Sierra 2 Comm. Ctr., 2791 24th St., 6:30pm.

▼ 21 - Tuesday

Sacramento Ballet's 4th Annual Dining Out, Area restaurants, 736-2860.

PFLAG Meeting, St. Marks UMC, 2391 St. Mark's Way, 7:30pm, 665-1050.

SLCC General Meeting, Lambda Comm. Ctr., 1901 L St., 7pm., 442-0185.

▼ 22 - Wednesday

March on Washington Comm. Mtg., 8:30pm, 863-3351.

Book Party with Susan Bright, Good Vibrations, 1210 Valencia St., S.F., 7:30pm, 415-550-0827.

▼ 23 - Thursday

SLCC General Membership Meeting Lambda Community Center, 7pm, 863-3020, Opt. #1 MB #4.

Common Sense Dog Training, Curtis Park, 6:30am, 485-2201.

▼ 24 - Friday

DANCE: The Prom you never got to go to! SLCC, Tuesday Club, Camellia Rm., 863-3020, Opt. #1, MB #4.

The Mind Club/Attica, Summer SAMMIES, Library Plaza Park, 5pm.

Bay Area Regional Rodeo, 4th & Channel Sts., S.F., thru July 26, 415-985-5200.

▼ 25 - Saturday

Nat'l Conf. of Lesbians & Gays in Mainstream Media, Golden Gateway Holiday Inn, S.F., thru June 27, 415-474-5991.

"Reclaiming the Spirit", Revival, Reno, NV, 702-674-6963.

Freedom Fest, CSU Chico, 10am, 916-343-8767.

Kevin Nealon, Crest Theater, 8pm, 916-442-6140.

"La Cage on Ice", C.G.N.I.E., Iceland Ice Rink, 3pm, 8pm.

R.C.D.C. Yard Sale, McKinley Park, 9am, 682-8948.

▼ 26 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

"Summer Spectacular", 1992 Marriage of Food & Wine, SAC Grand Ballroom, 629 J St., 1:30pm., 452-8271.

▼ 28 - Tuesday

Sacramento Ballet's 4th Annual Dining Out, Area restaurants, 736-2860.

▼ 30 - Thursday

ACT UP Mtg., 8pm, 863-3025.

▼ 31 - Friday

k.d. lang, SAC Comm. Theater, 8pm.

AUGUST

▼ 1 - Saturday

Mr. & Mrs. Northern CA Leather Contest, Tuesday Club, 2722 L St., 7pm, 983-2870.

Benefit Concert, I.M.A. Cultural Center/Studio Retreat, Bodega, 876-3004.

▼ 2 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

New Jewish Agenda Annual Potluck Picnic, Van Vleck Recreational Park, 11am.

▼ 3 - Monday

S.A.G.A. Skate Party, 8:30pm, King's Skate Country, 50 & Bradshaw, 455-0986.

▼ 6 - Thursday

GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro #B, S.F., 7pm, 415-861-4588.

▼ 7 - Friday

4th Ann. CA Lottery Bicycle Classic, Old SAC, 4pm, 482-4755.

▼ 8 - Saturday

Midtown Business Assoc. Street Fair, Marshall Park, 28th & J Sts., 10am, 558-3751.

46th Annual Japanese Food & Cultural Bazaar, SAC Buddhist Church, 2401 Riverside Blvd., 12pm, 446-0121.

▼ 9 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

46th Annual Japanese Food & Cultural Bazaar, SAC Buddhist Church, 2401 Riverside Blvd., 12pm, 446-0121.

"Live Sound Reinforcement Workshop", I.M.A. Cultural Center/Studio Retreat, Bodega, 876-3004.

▼ 11 - Tuesday

Michigan Womyn's Music Festival, W.W.T.M.C., Box 22, Walhalla, MI 49458, 616-757-4766.

"Hands On Recording Class", I.M.A. Cultural Center/Studio Retreat, Bodega, 876-3004.

▼ 12 - Wednesday

Healthwatch: AIDS from Amsterdam, Cancer Center Aud., 4501 X St., 7pm, 448-2437.

Healthwatch: AIDS From Amsterdam, SAF Training Space, 920 20th St., 2nd flr., 7pm, 448-2437.

▼ 15 - Saturday

SSPCA Crafts Fair Show & Sale, SSPCA, 6201 Florin-Perkins Rd., 10am, 383-PETS.

Comic/Singer Monica Grant, SACWN, Unitarian Meeting Hall, 2425 Sierra Blvd., 486-8985.

▼ 16 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

Barbeque & Auction, Women's Cultural Productions of Chico, 916-872-0503.

▼ 17 - Monday

ACT UP Action, Republican National Convention, Houston, thru Aug 20, 202-328-AIDS.

S.A.G.A. IV Skate Party, King's Skate Country, 2900 Bradshaw, 8:30pm, $5, 635-1535.

▼ 18 - Tuesday

"Art & Psychosis", Salvador Roquet, Galeria Posada, 701 O Street, 7pm, 446-5133.

▼ 21 - Friday

SLCC Night, "Surviving the Breakup of a Relationship", 7pm, 687-7282.

▼ 22 - Saturday

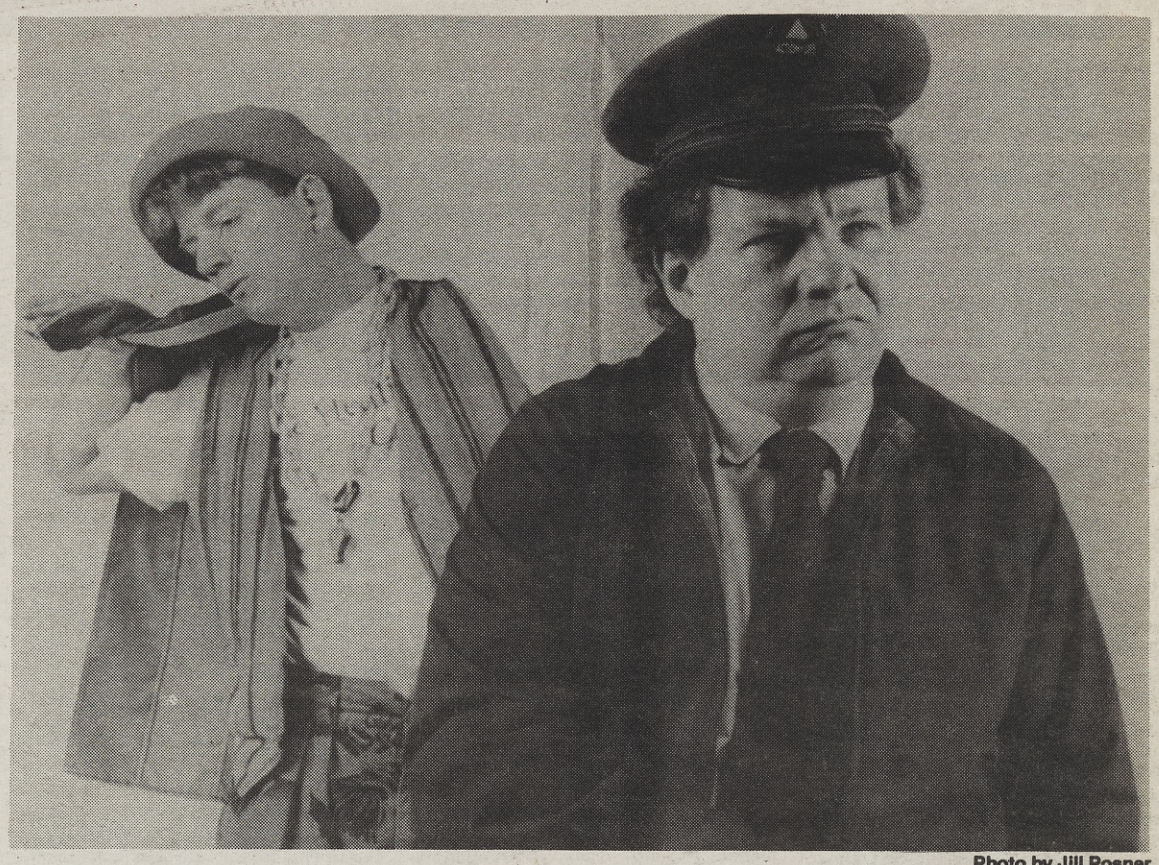
"Hot Paris Nights", C.G.N.I.E., Joseph's Town & Country, 2062 Auburn Blvd., 7pm, 649-9248.

▼ 23 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

▼ 29 - Saturday

Dianne Davids in Concert, Church of Religious Science, 14 Hillary Lane, Chico, 872-0503.



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Jeff Thompson and Joseph Leonardi in *One of These Days...*, July 30-August 22, at Theater Rhino studio, 2926 16th St., San Francisco.

SEPTEMBER

▼ 3 - Thursday

GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro #B, S.F., 7pm, 415-861-4588.

13th Annual West Coast Women's Music & Comedy Festival, near Yosemite, thru Sep. 7, W.C.W.M.F., 15842 Chase St., North Hills, 91343, 818-893-4075.

▼ 6 - Sunday

League Softball, 21st & C St., 12pm.

"Dreams: Toward the Next Rainbow", S.F. Civic SAuditorium, 7:30pm, 415-621-6557.

▼ 8 - Tuesday

S.A.G.A. Skate Party, King's Skate Country, 50 & Bradshaw, 8:30pm, 455-0986.

▼ 12 - Saturday

Russian River Jazz Festival, P.O. Box 1913, Guerneville, thru Sep. 13.

▼ 13 - Sunday

League Softball Championship, 21st & C St., 12pm.

▼ 14 - Monday

Nutrition & Your Health, SAF Training Space, 920 20th St., 2nd flr., 7pm, 448-2437.

▼ 20 - Sunday

Latin Jazz Group "Rio", 12pm, Amador Country Arts Council, Box 217, Sutter Creek, 95685.

Benefit for S.J. AIDS Foundation, Manteca Waterslides, 10am., 209-476-8533.

▼ 21 - Monday

S.A.G.A. IV Skate Party, King's Skate Country, 2900 Bradshaw, 8:30pm, $5, 635-1535.

OCTOBER

▼ 1 - Thursday

GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro #B, S.F., 7pm, 415-861-4588.

▼ 2 - Friday

Sailing to America, replicas of Columbus' ships, the Nina, Pinta & Santa Maria, docking in San Francisco, continues through Oct. 25.

▼THEATRE▼

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California's Original Theater Co., 922 12th St., Box 188471, 95818, 442-2399. **"A Concert of New Music",** Jul. 19, 2pm; **Ken Siebert,** thru Jul. 31.

Chautauqua Playhouse, 5325 Engle Rd., Carm., 489-7529. **"Rumors",** Sep. 4-Oct 11; **"Other People's Money",** Oct. 23-Nov. 29.

Delta King Theater, 1000 Front St., Old SAC, 444-KING. **"A Cole Summer Evening",** thru. Aug. 8.

Elk Grove Theater Co., P.O. Box 2144, Elk Grove, 95759, 441-8447. **"Much Ado About Nothing",** Aug. 14-29.

The Piper Playhouse, Drytown, 415-592-2520. **"Bad Day at Dry Creek,"** thru Sep. 5.

Foothill Theater Co., Box 1812, Nevada City, 95959. **"Woman in Mind",** thru Jul. 18.

Theater Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St., S.F., 415-861-5079. **"One of These Days...",** Jul. 30-Aug. 22; **"Bent",** Sep. 10-Oct. 17; **"A Queer Look (at the holidays)",** Nov. 12-Dec. 19.

Idea Gallery Theater, 3414 4th Ave., 447-6209. **"Diamond Dust",** thru Jul 31.

Lambda Community Center, 1931 L St., 442-0185, **"Original Script",** Jul. 25-Aug. 23; **"Spare Parts",** Oct. 2-24.

"Best of Broadway, Loretto High School, Hiram Johnson Aud., 65th St. & 14th, 482-5846, Sep. 11-26.

SAC City Actors Theater, 3835 Freeport Blvd., 558-2228. **"The Tempest",** thru Jul. 23; **"The Comedy of Errors",** thru Jul. 24.

Sacramento Theater Co., 1419 H St., 443-6722. **"The Imigrant: A Hamilton County Album",** Sep. 18-Nov. 22; **"The Heidi Chronicles",** Oct. 2-25; **"A Christmas Carol",** Nov. 27-Dec. 24.

The Show Below, 22nd & L St., 446-2787. **"The Foreigner",** thru Aug. 8.; **"Shirley Valentine",** Sep. 11-Oct. 17; **"Equus",** Nov. 13-Dec. 19.

Music Circus, 1419 H St., 557-1999. **"Oklahoma",** July 13-19, **"Fiddler on the Roof",** July 20-26, **"The Sound of Music",** July 27-August 2, **"Funny Girl",** August 3-9, **"Hello, Dolly",** August 10-16, **"Cabaret",** August 17-23.

▼GALLERIES▼

Archival Framing Gallery, 1729 L St., 444-9624. **"Introductions '92: New Work by Paul Anderson",** thru Jul. 31.

Crocker Art Museum, 3rd & O St., 264-5423. **Landmarks of Early California Painting,** thru Sep. 27; **Early 20th Century California Painting,** thru Oct.; **Humanism Revisited,** thru Aug. 2; **From Watkins to Weston: 101 Years of California Photography,** Jun. 19-Aug. 14.

Himovitz-Miller Gallery, 550 Pavilions Ln., 925-5917. **Nina Else, Linda Smith,** thru Jul. 30, **"Stepping into the Season,"** Sep. 8-Oct. 3.

Joyce Abreu Gallery, 3712 Auburn Blvd., 488-1211. **Introductions '92,** thru Jul . 31.

Matrix Gallery, 1725 I St., 95814, 441-4818. **Introductions '92,** thru Aug 7; **Blossom de la Fleur,** thru Jul. 25.

John Natsoulas Gallery, 140 F St., Davis, 756-3938. **David Gilhooly, Peter Saul,** thru Aug 2.

Michael Himovitz Gallery, 1020 10th, 448-8723. **Introductions '92: Kathy Glowen, Brian Chapman, Devon Paget,** Jul. 1-30, Recep. Jul. 11, 6pm, **Julia Couzens, Judi Keen, Don Satterlee,** Sep. 9-Oct. 3.

Paragary's, 28th & N Sts. **Gale Hart,** thru Jul. 24.

SAC Valley Photographic Art Center, 702 57th St., 95819. **The Fine Print Program,** thru Jul. 31.

Spectrum/Himovitz Gallery, 511 Harrison, S.F., 415-495-1113.

The Shenandoah Gallery, 12300 Steiner Rd., Plymouth, CA, 209-245-4455. **Pat Conway,** Jul. 1 - Aug. 26; **Claire Oak, Jadell Andrews, Pat Conway,** thru Aug. 24. **Carol Attoe, Suzan Goodban, Barbara Milman,** Sep. 6 - Oct. 28.

Viewpoint Gallery, 702 57th St., 95817, 451-3063. **Tokuno, A Photographic Exibition,** thru Jul. 31; **"Viewpoint",** Aug. 10-Sep. 4.

Where 2?, 2331 J St., 448-1264. **Drawings, Screens & Masks,** thru Jul 30.

▼ 5 - Monday

S.A.G.A. Skate Party, King's Skate Country, 50 & Bradshaw, 8:30 pm, 455-0986.

▼ 8 - Thursday

Lavender Waves Retreat, Camp Westwind, Lincoln City, OR, thru Oct. 11, Box 662, Waldport, OR 97394, 503-563-3569.

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